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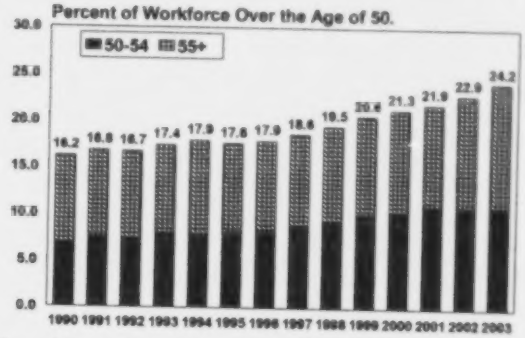
The Impact of Upcoming Retirements on the BC Labour Supply

With "baby'-boomers" reaching middle age, most developed countries are dealing with a large component of their population moving out of the workforce and into retirement. BC also faces this dilemma and is at risk of labour shortages in the near future.

In recent history, approximately one in six members of the workforce were approaching retirement. That proportion has recently climbed to one in four



The chart above shows that 24 per cent of the workforce today is over the age of 49. If current retirement trends continue, a very large proportion of that 24 per cent will retire within the next ten years, as well as a substantial number of the 45-49 year olds. Alongside this trend of an increasing older workforce, the number of young flowing into the workplace is declining, so that today the under 30 group is about the same size as the over 49 group.

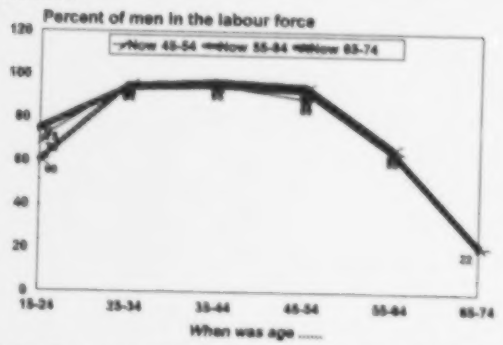
This article will examine what the next 10 to 20 years could bring in terms of labour supply; whether shortages are likely and if so, what our options are to alleviate the shortages.

Recent History of Labour Market Activity of the BC Population

In order to project what is in store for the labour supply in BC over the next 10 to 20 years, it is necessary to look at the historical participation of men and women in the workforce by age group. From that we will attempt to predict the future labour market behaviour of the younger generations.

The chart below shows the labour market participation of three age cohorts of men who are 10 years apart, specifically those who were age 45-54, 55-64 and 65-74 in 2001. The workforce pattern of these men over their lifetime can be simulated by looking at the 1951, 1961, etc. censuses up to 2001, to see what each 10 year age cohort were doing every 10 years of their working life. The chart shows that 10 years difference in age really had no differential impact on the life-time labour market behaviour of men who are now in their middle age.

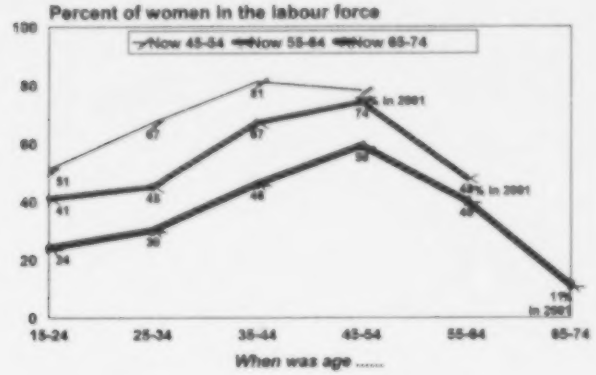
Three different 10 year cohorts of middle aged men show virtually no difference in their lifetime labour market behaviour



Only the young age group, age 15-24, shows any differences between generations. This finding is consistent with the known sensitivity of this age group to economic conditions -- often they will choose school over work when good jobs are hard to come by. Despite this slight variation among the

young, it is reasonable to assume the age specific workforce participation of men, as it stands today, will be a good predictor of future workforce behaviour of the generations that follow.

However, among women now in their middle age, 10 years age difference created very different lifetime labour market behaviour. These generational differences are slowly being eroded so that 2001 saw converging patterns between cohorts of women10 years apart.

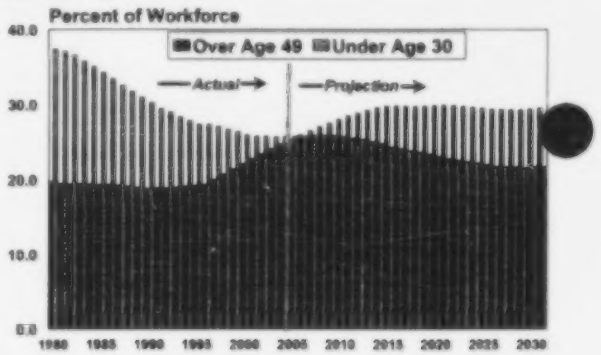


On the other hand, women now in their middle age who were born 10 years apart have shown huge variations in their lifetime patterns of workforce attachment. Those now age 65-74, lived through the era of starting their families early and being "stay-at-home-mums". The chart shows that when they were 25-34, less than one in three were working. Yet, among those 10 years younger, one-half were in the workforce at that same period of their lives and those 10 years younger again, two out of three were working. (Currently, 4 of every 5 women age 25-34 participate in the workforce.) This large discrepancy between these ten-year age cohorts in their behaviour when they were 25-34, carried on throughout most of their working lives. The older generation attained their most active workforce participation when they were 45-54 but it still only reached 59 per cent.

The interesting thing from this chart on women is how in 2001 there are now indications that the labour market behaviour of these diverse generations has begun to converge. There was only a difference of 4 percentage points between the 55-64 year olds compared to those 10 years younger when they were both age 45-54. By 1993 that gap has all but vanished. Similarly, what was an 8 percentage point gap among those 10 years older has been reduced to a 5 point difference currently. So it appears as though the impact of very different social norms for different age cohorts of women in the early years of their lives has finally worked its way through the system. In the future, workforce profiles of different generations of women will likely be quite similar to one another as they currently are between different generations of men. This is the assumption used to project the age structure of the BC workforce as shown in the following chart.

Projection of the Age Structure of the BC workforce: The Impending Labour Shortage

The long term time trend shows how unusual the current age mix of the workforce is : the ready-to-retire are projected to overtake young employees within the next two years and will continue to do so well into the 21st century.



If women and men continue to participate in the workforce as they did in 2003, the per cent of the workforce approaching retirement will increase up to 2016 at which point it will reach 30 per cent. This means close to one in every three members of the labour force will be on the verge of retirement.

High retirement rates do not necessarily translate into labour shortages. However, alongside the increasing number of retirees, the number of younger potential workers, those under 30, will be trending downwards. From 2006 on, it is probable that the flow-out of retirees will surpass the flow-in of young

replacement workers. This will be the first time this has occurred since 1971 when good labour market data was first collected. And if the status quo remains as is, this imbalance will continue for many years into the future.

Three factors could change this projection of labour shortage.

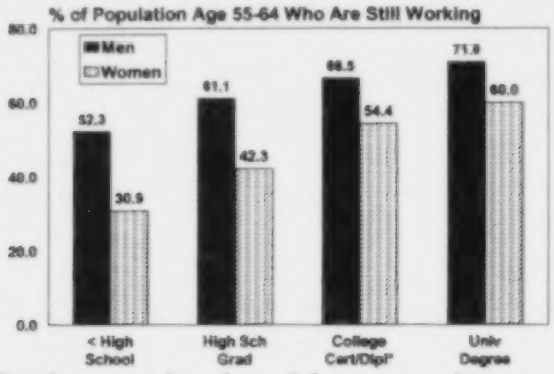
- One would be an increase flow in of young workers. If there is a labour shortage, the natural labour market mechanism of more job openings and increased wages will encourage more young to participate in the workforce. However, such a result could be to the detriment of their education.
- Another is to increase the in-flow of workers from other provinces and/or other countries to fill the vacancies. This traditionally has been a very viable option for BC to meet its labour needs because of the province's comparative advantage in lifestyle to much of the rest of Canada. However, Canada and other developed countries will also be facing labour shortages, meaning competition for new workers could be intense. Skilled immigrants from the developing nations could provide relief. Before that can happen the federal government will have to ensure that qualified immigrants are able to practise their skills in Canada.
- The third factor could be an increase in the age that people retire. Given the current and projected size of the "nearing retirement" workforce, a conservative estimate of the impact of potential retirees postponing their retirement is an increase in the size of the labour force by 2 to 3 per cent for each additional year worked. The shortfall of the young workers coming on-stream compared to the retirees leaving is projected to be up to 8 per cent of the workforce. Thus a one year increase in the average age of retirement would go a long way in reducing that gap.

Since 1976, Canadian men and women have shown a fairly continuous trend to younger and younger retirement. In 1998 that decline bottomed out and currently shows signs of heading back up for women.

Keeping potential retirees in the workforce for longer than they normally would work is a viable option to address future labour shortages. The chart above shows how the average retirement age in Canada has been dropping at a steady rate since the mid-seventies, partially due to increased coverage of social security programs and partly because of increased wealth. In 1998/99, the average age for retirement in Canada was 61, the youngest it had ever been. Since then it has been creeping back up primarily as the result of the sharp decline in the stock market in 2001/02. Between 1999 and 2003, the average age of retirement increased by more than 8 months. As well, there is much leeway to increase that age further – the average age of retirement in the 1970's was more than 3 years older than it is today.

What could bring about an increase in the average age of retirement? As can be seen from the increase in the age of retirement since the reduction in stock market wealth, economic incentive is a strong motivator to discourage employees from retiring. Similarly, the next chart shows how the higher the level of education and hence the higher the salary, the longer employees keep on working.

The more educated the individual, the less likely they are to take early retirement.



Employers who face labour recruitment problems may start offering higher salaries, more flexible work arrangements and increased pension benefits for those who agree to stay longer. And of course there is the option for the government to step in and make changes to the structure of CPP to encourage workers to postpone retirement.

It will be interesting to monitor the average age of retirement over the next decade to see how the labour market adjusts to alleviate labour shortages.

Average Weekly Wage Rate* - February 2004

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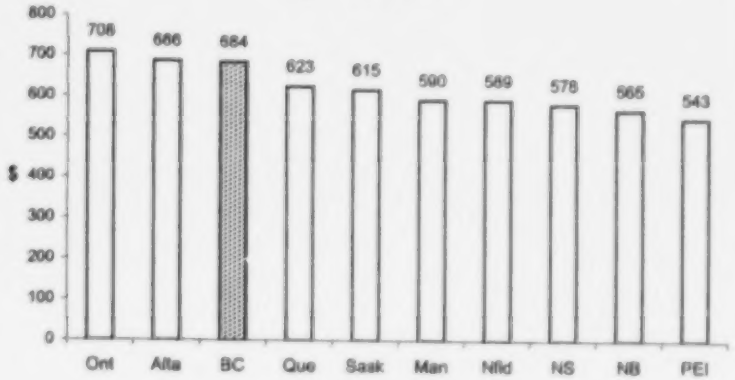

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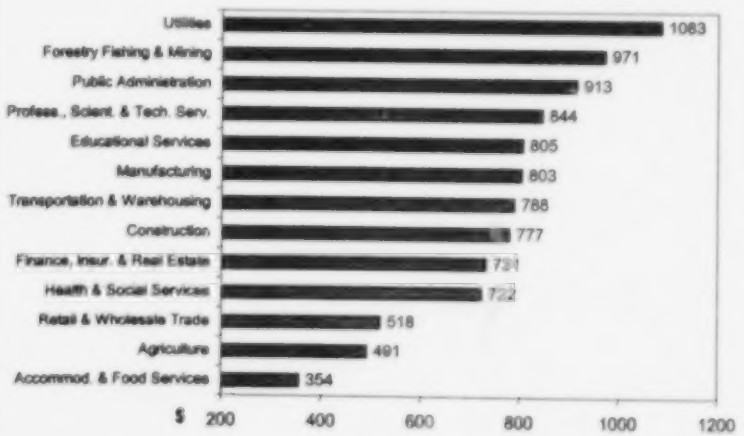

Employment Growth* - February 2004

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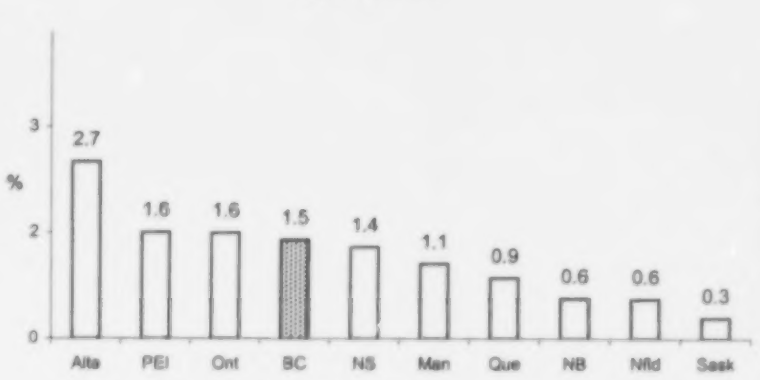

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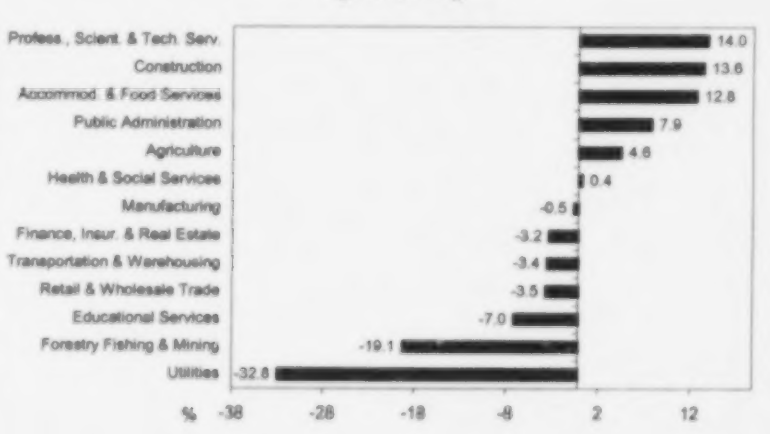

** Latest 12 month average*

** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

1 ***SUMMARY TRENDS***

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.1	-1.3	0.7	-1.7	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
	Feb				0.8	3.0	2.3				1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
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1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
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Jan-Feb03	658.54		679.33		687.87		595.44		573.77		698.63		615.10		555.05		561.31		534.88		574.38	
Jan-Feb04	676.08		680.80		691.25		641.05		603.42		724.80		627.10		573.12		581.51		558.30		583.80	
% Change	2.7		0.2		0.5		7.7		5.2		3.7		2.0		3.3		3.6		4.4		1.6	

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
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1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.3	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
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Jan-Feb03	18.06		19.14		18.16		16.36		15.86		18.90		17.40		14.82		15.30		14.77		15.44	
Jan-Feb04	18.55		19.11		18.26		17.33		16.73		19.59		17.85		15.40		15.86		15.33		15.67	
% Change	2.7		-0.1		0.6		6.0		5.5		3.7		2.6		3.9		3.7		3.8		1.5	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	486.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
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Jan-Feb03	15,321.0		1,957.9		1,672.5		475.5		556.0		6,100.4		3,549.4		329.7		417.6		61.8		200.4	
Jan-Feb04	15,581.8		2,012.9		1,718.4		476.0		561.6		6,209.6		3,583.8		331.4		422.4		63.0		202.8	
% Change	1.7		2.8		2.7		0.1		1.0		1.8		1.0		0.5		1.2		2.0		1.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.6	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
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Jan-Feb03	34.0		32.5		35.3		33.0		33.6		34.6		33.3		34.6		33.3		33.2		33.6	
Jan-Feb04	33.7		32.9		35.1		32.9		33.6		34.4		32.9		33.8		29.6		29.5		33.0	
% Change	-0.9		1.4		-0.4		-0.3		-0.1		-0.6		-1.2		-2.5		-11.1		-11.3		-1.6	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1994									377.6		1,194.9					
	1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
	1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003	Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
	Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
	Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
	Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
	May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
	Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
	Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
	Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
	Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
	Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
	Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
	Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004	Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
	Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
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Jan-Feb03		810.35		647.27		20.59		18.78		398.5		1,559.4		37.1		31.3	
Jan-Feb04		801.87		651.54		20.33		18.82		407.9		1,605.0		36.6		32.0	
% Change		-1.0		0.7		-1.2		0.2		2.4		2.9		-1.3		2.4	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
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Jan-Feb03	810.35		423.88		961.11		1026.51		804.20		815.13	
Jan-Feb04	801.87		492.48		966.82		1094.53		794.56		785.83	
% Change	-1.0		16.2		0.6		6.6		-1.2		-3.6	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
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Jan-Feb03	647.27		839.80		519.32		731.48		909.95		747.95		688.93		344.17		891.08		679.33	
Jan-Feb04	651.54		750.74		505.10		742.18		834.93		786.60		753.01		353.63		921.36		680.80	
% Change	0.7		-10.6		-2.7		1.5		-8.2		5.2		9.3		2.8		3.4		0.2	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
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Average:												
Jan-Feb03	20.59		12.33		23.45		27.13		20.38		20.69	
Jan-Feb04	20.33		13.61		23.63		29.04		20.09		20.03	
% Change	-1.2		10.3		0.8		7.1		-1.4		-3.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.3B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service: Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
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Jan-Feb03	18.78		21.19		15.07		20.17		24.15		23.91		21.51		11.39		24.05		19.14	
Jan-Feb04	18.82		19.41		14.98		20.25		21.91		24.18		22.74		11.65		24.98		19.11	
% Change	0.2		-8.4		-0.6		0.4		-9.3		1.2		5.7		2.2		3.9		-0.1	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
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Average:																				
Jan-Feb03	398.5		29.5		28.6		5.2		9.9		198.9		28.2		46.7		17.1		113.7	
Jan-Feb04	407.9		30.7		20.2		4.0		11.3		201.5		35.9		46.7		10.8		130.7	
% Change	2.4		4.1		-29.4		-23.1		14.1		1.3		27.5		0.0		-37.0		15.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		269.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
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Average:																				
Jan-Feb03	1,559.4		114.9		316.8		128.2		914.5		158.3		209.7		157.3		85.2		1,957.9	
Jan-Feb04	1,605.0		111.4		314.9		125.0		958.3		149.5		214.3		172.7		95.5		2,012.9	
% Change	2.9		-3.0		-0.6		-2.5		4.8		-5.6		2.2		9.8		12.1		2.8	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
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Average:												
Jan-Feb03	37.1		32.6		41.4		37.7		37.9		35.1	
Jan-Feb04	36.6		33.3		41.0		35.2		36.8		35.9	
% Change	-1.3		2.1		-1.0		-6.6		-2.9		2.4	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.5	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
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Average:																				
Jan-Feb03	31.3		34.7		30.8		35.1		34.8		30.3		28.7		27.4		35.6		32.5	
Jan-Feb04	32.0		34.9		30.8		33.2		37.5		32.2		30.3		28.7		34.3		32.9	
% Change	2.4		0.6		0.2		-5.3		7.9		6.3		5.4		4.6		-3.8		1.4	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

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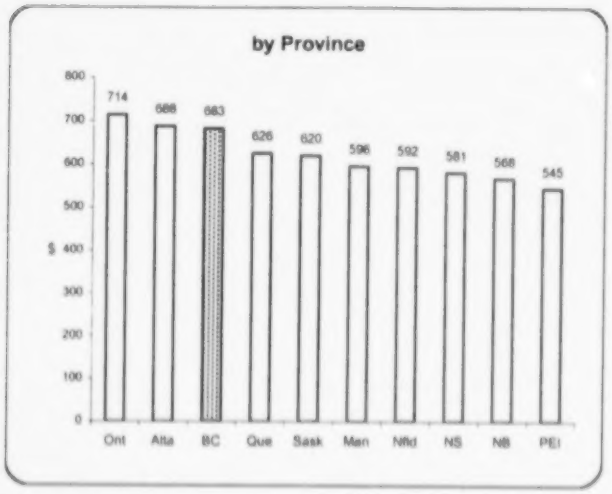
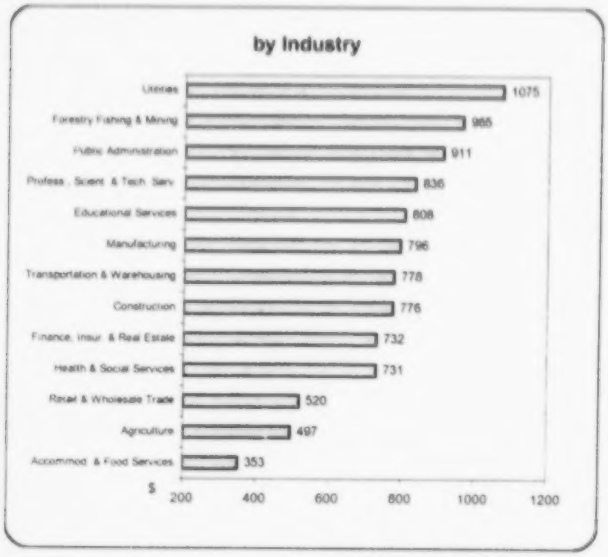
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - April 2004





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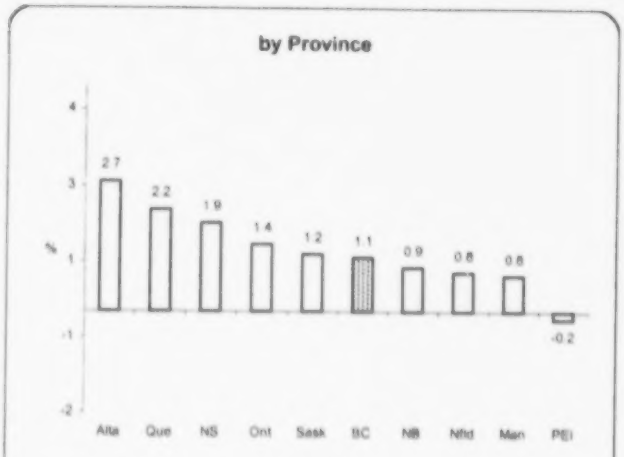
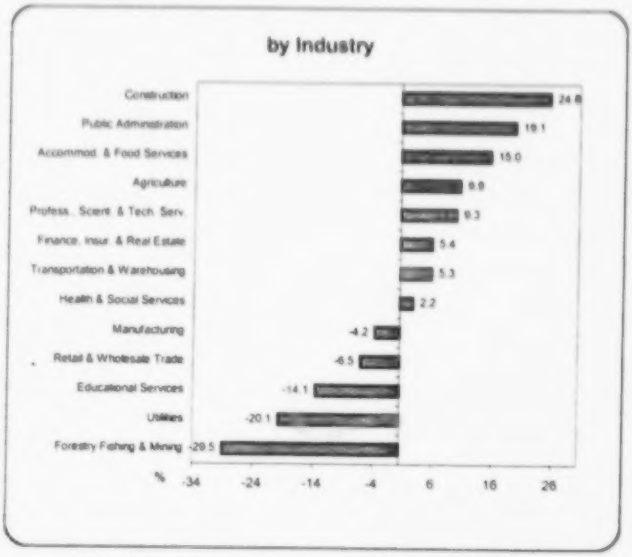
Employment Growth* - April 2004





*Month over same month previous year (unadjusted).

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1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
	Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
	Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
	Apr				-0.8	3.2	2.1				1.3	1.7		7.7	7.3	
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
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Average:																						
Jan-Apr03	658.74		680.26		685.83		597.77		576.63		698.09		615.80		556.06		565.89		542.67		576.39	
Jan-Apr04	678.46		678.50		691.66		637.25		610.62		728.26		631.45		574.10		584.74		559.17		590.42	
% Change	3.0		-0.3		0.9		6.6		5.9		4.3		2.5		3.2		3.3		3.0		2.4	

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
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Average:																						
Jan-Apr03	18.05		19.10		18.13		16.36		15.91		18.88		17.42		14.85		15.36		14.86		15.51	
Jan-Apr04	18.57		18.94		18.28		17.26		16.86		19.64		17.92		15.38		15.91		15.39		15.79	
% Change	2.9		-0.8		0.8		5.5		6.0		4.1		2.9		3.6		3.6		3.6		1.8	

Monthly percent changes are caiculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
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Jan-Apr03	15,386.2		1,977.0		1,676.0		476.3		559.0		6,119.6		3,563.0		330.3		420.6		62.3		202.1	
Jan-Apr04	15,630.9		2,015.1		1,721.8		478.1		564.5		6,210.1		3,614.0		332.3		427.1		63.2		204.8	
% Change	1.6		1.9		2.7		0.4		1.0		1.5		1.4		0.6		1.6		1.5		1.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May																						
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Average:																						
Jan-Apr03	32.8		31.7		34.5		32.8		32.8		32.9		32.4		33.8		31.9		32.5		32.5	
Jan-Apr04	33.0		32.1		34.8		33.1		33.6		33.5		32.2		33.6		30.3		30.0		31.9	
% Change	0.8		1.4		0.9		0.8		2.6		2.0		-0.8		-0.7		-5.0		-7.6		-2.0	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

Produced by: BC STATS

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1994									377.6		1,194.9					
	1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
	1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003	Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
	Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
	Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
	Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
	May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
	Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
	Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
	Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
	Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
	Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
	Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
	Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004	Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
	Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
	Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
	Apr	778.88	-5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
	May																
	Jun																
	Jul																
	Aug																
	Sep																
	Oct																
	Nov																
	Dec																
Average:																	
	Jan-Apr03	813.30		647.00		20.56		18.73		407.6		1,569.4		35.9		30.6	
	Jan-Apr04	788.99		651.52		19.99		18.69		410.8		1,604.3		36.1		31.1	
	% Change	-3.0		0.7		-2.8		-0.2		0.8		2.2		0.8		1.8	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May												
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Apr03	813.30		441.01		994.95		1048.68		802.26		807.83	
Jan-Apr04	788.99		495.07		980.38		1056.30		777.11		789.13	
% Change	-3.0		12.3		-1.5		0.7		-3.1		-2.3	

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3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May																				
Jun																				
Jul																				
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Apr03	647.00		816.79		513.04		743.13		885.63		757.21		693.01		356.27		899.74		680.26	
Jan-Apr04	651.52		744.17		513.24		750.88		824.59		785.43		752.18		357.48		906.77		678.50	
% Change	0.7		-8.9		0.0		1.0		-6.9		3.7		8.5		0.3		0.8		-0.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May												
Jun												
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Apr03	20.56		12.35		23.84		27.33		20.33		20.47	
Jan-Apr04	19.99		13.23		23.60		27.84		19.78		19.90	
% Change	-2.8		7.2		1.0		1.9		-2.7		-2.8	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.3B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																		
1995																		
1996																		
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
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Average:																				
Jan-Apr03	18.73		20.83		14.88		20.29		23.74		24.09		21.48		11.52		24.11		19.10	
Jan-Apr04	18.69		19.21		15.00		20.44		21.73		24.11		22.45		11.61		24.64		18.94	
% Change	-0.2		-7.8		0.8		0.8		-8.5		0.1		4.5		0.8		2.2		-0.8	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing: Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied		Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
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Jan-Apr03	407.6		32.1		28.3		4.2		12.5		203.5		28.4		49.0		16.0		113.5	
Jan-Apr04	410.8		32.7		20.1		3.5		10.5		200.1		32.4		48.6		10.0		133.9	
% Change	0.8		1.8		-29.0		-17.3		-16.2		-1.7		14.2		-0.8		-37.6		18.0	

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Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
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Average:																				
Jan-Apr03	1,569.4		114.6		316.0		128.2		926.6		157.6		211.4		158.3		83.9		1,977.0	
Jan-Apr04	1,604.3		113.2		309.5		129.4		955.7		142.9		217.9		175.9		96.6		2,015.1	
% Change	2.2		-1.2		-2.1		0.9		3.1		-9.3		3.1		11.1		15.1		1.9	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
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Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Apr03	35.9		33.0		38.5		35.7		36.4		34.5	
Jan-Apr04	36.1		33.8		37.6		31.6		36.5		36.1	
% Change	0.8		2.5		-2.3		-11.4		0.1		4.6	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May																				
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Average:																				
Jan-Apr03	30.6		34.6		30.2		33.2		33.9		28.6		28.1		28.3		33.9		31.7	
Jan-Apr04	31.1		35.5		30.8		32.4		36.2		26.7		29.3		28.5		32.4		32.1	
% Change	1.8		2.7		1.9		-2.5		6.9		-6.7		4.1		0.7		-4.4		1.4	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

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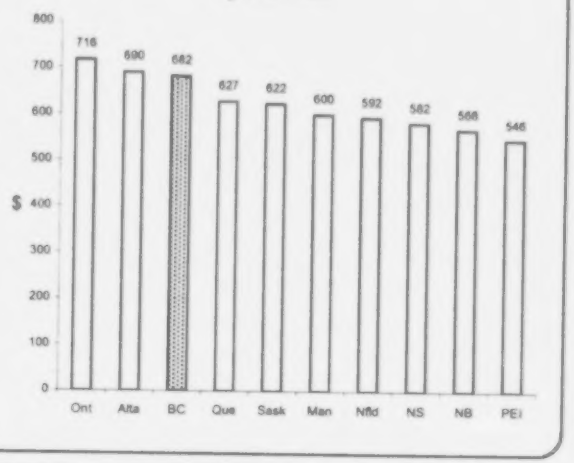
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - May 2004

by Province



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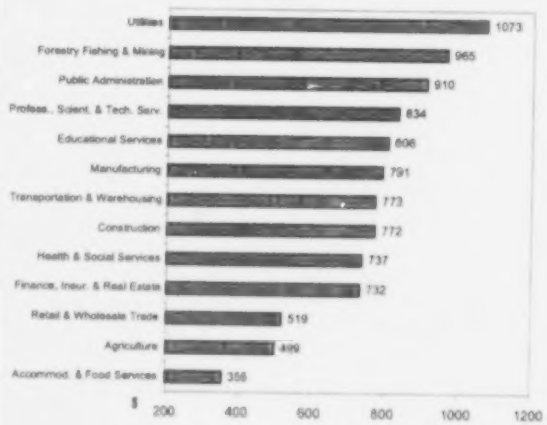
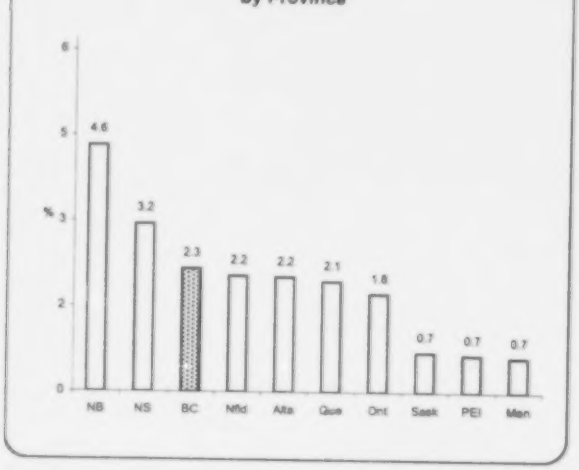


** Latest 12 month average*

Employment Growth* - May 2004

by Province



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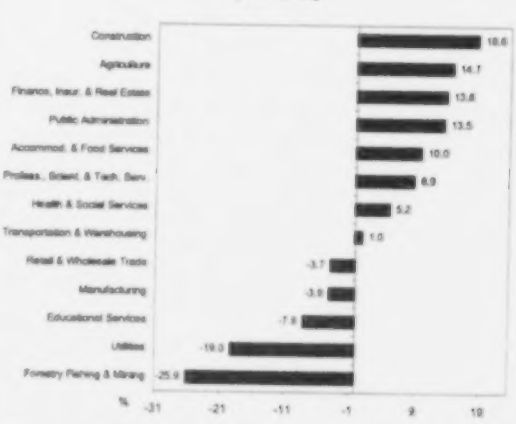

** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
	Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
	Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
	Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.4	1.6	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.6
	May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.8	2.6	3.6	-4.2	0.2	0.5	2.4	2.1	0.9	7.8	7.2	5.6
	Jun				-1.7	3.0	0.5				3.5	1.9	1.0	7.5	7.3	5.6
	Jul															
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
May	680.24	2.6	671.73	-1.8	700.78	3.2	622.35	4.1	618.72	6.9	728.35	3.5	640.49	2.9	565.54	1.0	594.76	1.4	560.61	3.3	590.10	0.0
Jun	679.67	3.0	676.88	-1.7	697.70	3.0	626.10	4.9	618.07	6.7	724.57	3.7	644.59	3.8	562.75	0.6	592.36	3.0	565.77	6.9	584.93	0.3
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Average:																						
Jan-Jun03	659.58		682.32		683.23		597.57		577.37		699.04		617.76		557.27		570.85		540.44		579.85	
Jan-Jun04	678.96		677.10		694.19		632.91		613.21		727.66		635.14		570.78		587.68		560.51		589.45	
% Change	2.9		-0.8		1.6		5.9		6.2		4.1		2.8		2.4		2.9		3.7		1.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
May	18.51	2.9	18.68	-1.6	18.53	3.8	16.77	4.0	16.91	6.7	19.58	3.7	18.00	3.3	15.00	1.5	15.82	1.4	14.66	1.7	15.50	-0.1
Jun	18.42	3.3	18.64	-1.8	18.52	4.0	16.79	4.5	16.85	6.9	19.44	3.9	17.98	4.0	14.85	2.2	15.68	2.8	14.75	5.6	15.17	0.5
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Average:																						
Jan-Jun03	18.00		19.06		18.03		16.27		15.88		18.85		17.40		14.79		15.38		14.64		15.44	
Jan-Jun04	18.54		18.85		18.36		17.10		16.87		19.60		17.94		15.23		15.86		15.16		15.64	
% Change	3.0		-1.1		1.8		5.1		6.2		4.0		3.1		3.0		3.1		3.6		1.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
May	16,117.7	2.0	2,062.2	2.3	1,763.7	2.2	497.4	0.7	581.1	0.7	6,366.9	1.8	3,739.8	2.1	354.6	4.6	454.8	3.2	71.9	0.7	225.3	2.2
Jun	16,376.6	1.9	2,117.1	3.7	1,789.2	1.9	503.0	0.3	586.2	1.1	6,436.7	2.0	3,797.4	1.2	369.2	2.0	463.3	2.6	74.9	-3.1	239.6	0.7
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Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Jun03	15,569.8		1,994.3		1,697.8		483.4		565.6		6,173.7		3,611.5		337.0		429.1		66.3		211.2	
Jan-Jun04	15,836.3		2,040.0		1,740.0		485.4		570.9		6,274.0		3,665.5		342.2		437.8		66.6		214.0	
% Change	1.7		2.3		2.5		0.4		0.9		1.6		1.5		1.5		2.0		0.5		1.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May	34.9	1.2	33.4	0.6	36.0	0.6	36.6	-1.6	34.4	-1.4	35.5	2.6	33.9	0.0	35.0	-1.4	35.5	0.6	37.6	1.1	35.0	0.0
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.9	36.1	0.3	36.1	0.0	35.4	1.4	35.3	1.1	33.8	0.0	35.2	-2.2	35.0	-1.7	37.2	-1.8	36.6	0.5
Jul																						
Aug																						
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Jun03	33.4		32.2		35.0		34.1		33.5		33.5		32.9		34.5		33.1		34.2		33.6	
Jan-Jun04	33.7		32.6		35.2		34.2		34.1		34.2		32.7		34.1		31.9		32.5		33.2	
% Change	0.8		1.2		0.7		0.2		1.7		1.9		-0.6		-1.1		-3.4		-4.9		-1.2	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1994									377.6		1,194.9					
	1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
	1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003	Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
	Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
	Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
	Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
	May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
	Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
	Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
	Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
	Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
	Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
	Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
	Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004	Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
	Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
	Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
	Apr	778.88	-5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
	May	762.83	-6.4	648.02	-0.2	19.28	-6.0	18.53	-0.2	435.3	0.9	1,627.0	2.7	37.3	-0.3	32.3	0.6
	Jun	778.62	-6.0	650.04	-0.2	19.25	-6.4	18.48	-0.4	458.1	4.7	1,659.0	3.4	38.7	3.5	32.5	0.3
	Jul																
	Aug																
	Sep																
	Oct																
	Nov																
	Dec																
Average:																	
Jan-Jun03		816.04		648.02		20.56		18.67		416.6		1,577.8		36.4		31.1	
Jan-Jun04		782.90		650.69		19.75		18.63		422.8		1,617.2		36.8		31.6	
% Change		-4.1		0.4		-3.9		-0.2		1.5		2.5		1.1		1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May	762.83	-6.4	486.07	5.5	983.25	0.8	1007.08	-2.3	766.53	-6.2	736.90	-5.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	517.76	3.4	983.39	5.3	962.76	-10.2	775.31	-7.1	770.34	-3.4
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jun03	816.04		454.25		981.47		1049.71		810.24		801.66	
Jan-Jun04	782.90		497.35		981.36		1032.50		775.05		777.29	
% Change	-4.1		9.5		0.0		-1.6		-4.3		-3.0	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																		
1995																		
1996																		
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May	648.02	-0.2	744.04	-7.5	504.83	-1.8	744.10	-0.5	847.88	-2.3	787.24	-2.3	749.65	10.0	363.11	5.1	894.57	-1.3	671.73	-1.8
Jun	650.04	-0.2	756.59	-3.1	528.52	1.3	726.45	2.0	782.72	-6.5	818.67	-1.6	720.11	1.0	370.89	2.8	897.12	0.2	676.88	-1.7
Jul																				
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	648.02		808.83		514.72		738.80		874.70		777.78		694.43		355.22		900.13		682.32	
Jan-Jun04	650.69		746.22		514.38		745.68		821.50		791.27		746.41		360.65		903.13		677.10	
% Change	0.4		-7.7		-0.1		0.9		-6.1		1.7		7.5		1.5		0.3		-0.8	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May	19.28	-6.0	11.96	3.5	24.29	3.6	26.22	-3.0	19.33	-6.4	18.86	-4.6
Jun	19.25	-6.4	12.25	-2.5	23.27	5.9	24.30	-13.8	19.37	-7.1	19.06	-3.9
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jun03	20.56		12.25		23.46		27.42		20.47		20.25	
Jan-Jun04	19.75		12.86		23.66		26.98		19.64		19.59	
% Change	-3.9		4.9		0.8		-1.6		-4.1		-3.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																		
1995																		
1996																		
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
May	18.53	-0.2	19.56	-3.5	14.54	-2.1	19.92	0.2	22.78	-0.2	24.19	-0.3	22.20	3.3	11.56	2.9	24.44	2.7	18.68	-1.6
Jun	18.48	-0.4	19.77	-2.3	14.98	1.6	19.83	1.7	21.01	-6.2	24.72	-0.3	21.54	-1.0	11.72	5.2	24.64	3.5	18.64	-1.8
Jul																				
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	18.67		20.64		14.85		20.09		23.37		24.23		21.53		11.41		24.01		19.06	
Jan-Jun04	18.63		19.36		14.92		20.25		21.79		24.23		22.26		11.62		24.60		18.85	
% Change	-0.2		-6.2		0.4		0.8		-6.8		0.0		3.4		1.9		2.5		-1.1	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
May	435.3	0.9	40.5	14.7	20.8	-25.2	3.8	58.3	11.4	-38.4	204.5	-3.9	29.1	-9.1	44.3	-16.1	14.5	2.1	142.2	18.6
Jun	458.1	4.7	41.9	17.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	205.3	-1.9	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	158.9	24.1
Jul																				
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	416.6		33.2		28.5		4.1		14.0		206.0		29.3		50.0		15.8		117.0	
Jan-Jun04	422.8		35.5		16.8		3.0		8.9		201.7		26.5		39.8		9.1		139.4	
% Change	1.5		6.8		-40.9		-27.5		-36.5		-2.1		-9.7		-20.6		-42.5		19.2	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
May	1,627.0	2.7	119.0	1.0	302.2	-3.7	136.3	13.8	973.3	2.7	136.7	-7.9	221.8	5.2	175.3	10.0	96.1	13.5	2,062.2	2.3
Jun	1,659.0	3.4	125.0	10.9	307.3	-3.0	133.1	9.1	996.3	3.6	135.2	-7.3	227.9	6.3	183.7	11.2	97.4	6.7	2,117.1	3.7
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Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	1,577.8		114.8		315.8		125.8		936.1		154.1		211.8		159.6		85.3		1,994.3	
Jan-Jun04	1,617.2		116.1		307.9		131.2		965.4		140.6		220.2		177.1		96.6		2,040.0	
% Change	2.5		1.1		-2.5		4.3		3.1		-8.8		4.0		11.0		13.3		2.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.9
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
May	37.3	-0.3	39.8	-0.5	38.2	4.9	35.8	-0.3	36.7	-1.9	37.4	0.3
Jun	38.7	3.5	41.1	-4.0	41.2	3.3	31.3	-16.8	37.5	1.4	39.6	11.9
Jul												
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Average:												
Jan-Jun03	36.4		35.8		38.4		36.1		36.7		35.1	
Jan-Jun04	36.8		36.0		38.3		32.3		36.7		36.9	
% Change	1.1		0.7		-0.2		-10.5		0.0		5.0	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service: Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service: Education		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service: Health and Social Services		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service: Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration		Total All Industries	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May	32.3	0.6	38.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	36.9	2.2	30.3	-3.5	31.0	11.1	28.7	-5.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.5	0.3	39.1	10.8	32.1	0.6	32.9	0.0	35.6	2.9	30.1	-6.5	29.9	-0.3	30.3	-3.8	33.6	-5.4	33.8	0.9
Jul																				
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Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	31.1		35.3		30.7		33.3		34.4		29.6		28.4		29.2		34.4		32.2	
Jan-Jun04	31.6		36.5		31.1		32.8		36.2		27.8		29.7		28.9		33.0		32.6	
% Change	1.3		3.6		1.4		-1.6		5.4		-6.1		4.5		-1.3		-4.1		1.2	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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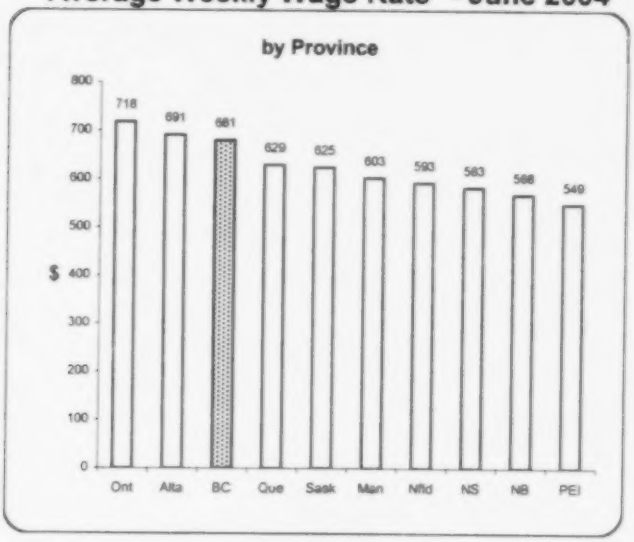
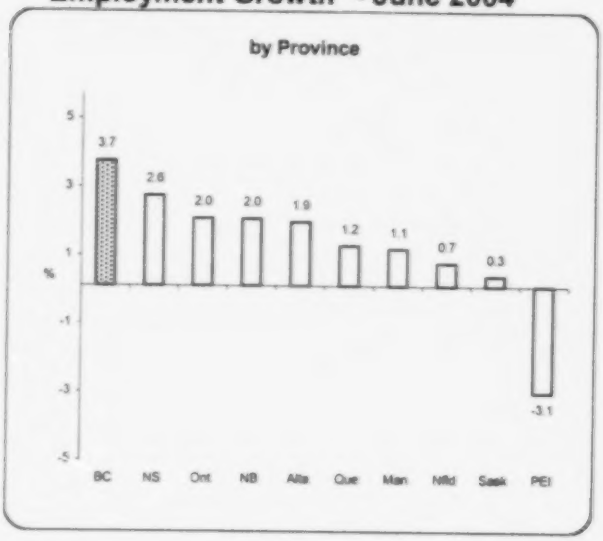
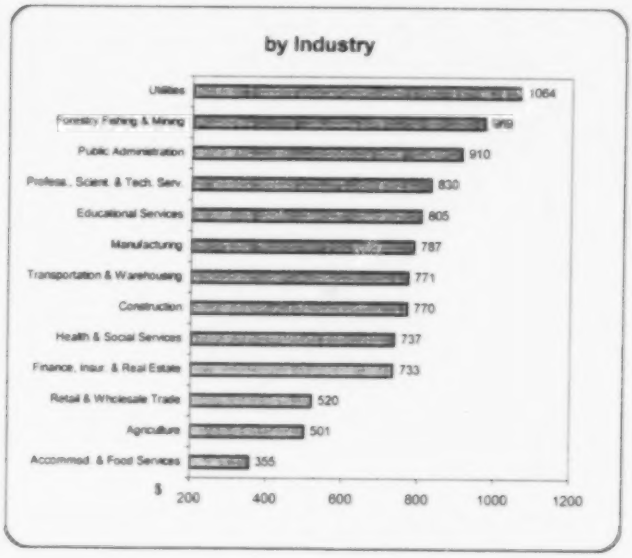
Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ June 2004

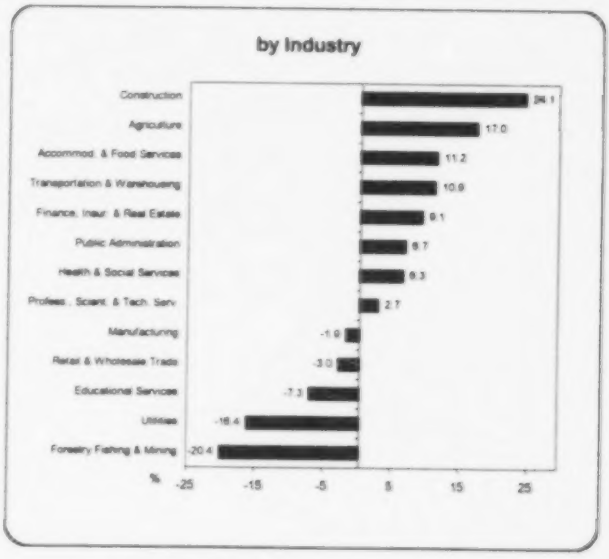
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - June 2004



Employment Growth* - June 2004







** Latest 12 month average*

** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

Feature Article: The Expansion of the College and University System in BC: The Impact on the Demand for Post Secondary Teachers

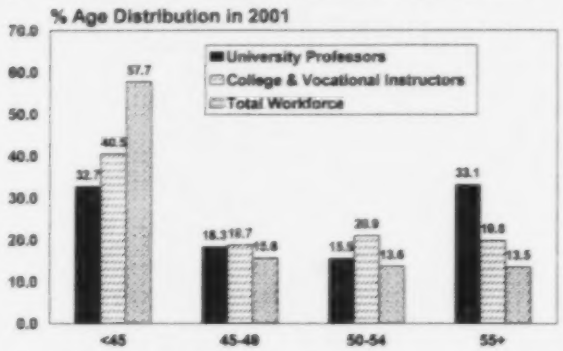
The Expansion of the College and University System in BC: The Impact on the Demand for Post Secondary Teachers

Over the next 6 years, the public post secondary sector in British Columbia will increase its number of student seats[1] by 25,000. This means that the number of students attending colleges, university-colleges and technical institutes will have increased by approximately 15 per cent by 2010.

More students means more teachers. Currently, the ratio of faculty to students in the public system ranges from approximately 1 for every 13 students in the colleges and one for every 20 students in the universities.[2] A ballpark estimate of the number of additional FTE teachers that will be required to teach the 25,000 additional FTE students ranges from 1,000 to 1,500.

Aside from the larger contingent of teachers required, there will also be teachers retiring who will have to be replaced. It is a well-known fact that the age structure of the BC population, means the labour force is set for a large outflow of retirees in the next 10 years. Post-secondary teachers are no exception, particularly university professors who hare one of the oldest age profiles among occupational groups in the province.

Post secondary teachers are considerably older than the rest of the workforce. In fact, it is likely that almost one of every two University Professors who were working in 2000 will be retired by 2010.



Source: Statistics Canada, 2001 Census. Includes only those who worked full-time/full year in 2000.

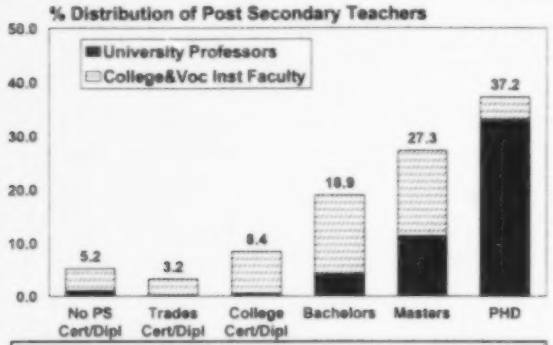
The age groupings in the chart above show that 67 per cent of professors and 59 per cent of college instructors in 2001 will be over the age of 54, by 2011. Not all of them will have retired by then but most likely all those who were in the age group 55+ and two-thirds of those aged 50-54 in 2001 will be retired 10 years later. This translates to a very conservative estimate of 45 per cent of the 3,275 full-time/full-year professors in 2000 (1,500) and 30 per cent of the 5,630 comparable college instructors (1,700) will have to be replaced. This along with the expansion-induced 1,000 to 1,500 new faculty, will result in approximately 4,500 full-time jobs in the post-secondary teaching profession opening up over the next 6 years. This means new job opportunities in the profession represent approximately one-half the current existing jobs.

The faculties of the universities and colleges are very highly skilled and most

[1] *Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Students*
[2] *FTE Students divided by FTE Faculty*

have very impressive academic qualifications.

Profile of the Education Qualifications of BC's Post-Secondary Teachers



	University Faculty	College/Voc Inst Faculty
	% Distritbution	
No Post Ssecondary Certificate/Diploma/Degree	2.0	8.4
Trades Certificate/Diploma	0.2	6.2
College/Other Technical Institute Certificate/Diploma	1.0	15.7
Bachelors Degree	8.3	29.5
Masters Degree	22.6	31.9
PHD	66.0	8.4

Source: Statistics Canada, 2001 Census

Nine out of 10 university professors have a post-bachelor degree and 7 out of 10 college teachers have at least a bachelors degree. Among those without a university degree teaching in the colleges many are likely in the trades and applied programs where practical experience is often accepted, or even preferred, over academic qualifications. This also holds true, to some extent, at the university level, for example in the creative arts.

So there will be considerable job opportunities opening up for highly qualified individuals in teaching at the college and university level. There does not seem to be any imminent danger of shortages of qualified persons who potentially could step into these jobs. One manpower source is the many post-secondary faculty who are not full time/full-year teachers, particularly in the college system. Census data show an additional 1,780 teachers at the university level and 6,355 at the college level who were not working full-time/full-year in 2000.[3]

There are also many unemployed or under-employed highly educated persons. In 2003, the Labour Force Survey showed that 6.8 per cent of persons with Bachelor degrees were unemployed and 3.9 per cent of those with Masters or PHD's. As well, the BC University Student Outcomes survey, produced by The University President's Council, shows that among the class who graduated with a Bachelors degree in 2000, 5.8 per cent were unemployed in 2002 and among those who had a job, 28 per cent were working in a job that was not very related, or not at all related, to their Bachelors degree. Some portion of that 28 per cent is likely under-employed and could potentially use their skills in a college teaching capacity.

At the university level, where faculty usually require a PHD the National Graduate Survey, produced by Statistics Canada noted a Canadian unemployment rate among 2000 grads of 5 per cent for Masters and 6 per cent for PHD's in 2002.

In short, the new job opportunities on the horizon for the highly educated in the province will be most welcome.

[3] *Census numbers are backed up by human resource administrative data from the colleges and universities.*

1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
	Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
	Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
	Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.4	1.6	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.6
	May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.8	2.6	3.6	-4.2	0.2	0.5	2.4	2.1	0.9	7.8	7.2	5.6
	Jun				-1.7	3.0	0.5				3.5	1.9	1.0	7.5	7.3	5.6
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
May	680.24	2.6	671.73	-1.8	700.78	3.2	622.35	4.1	618.72	6.9	728.35	3.5	640.49	2.9	565.54	1.0	594.76	1.4	560.61	3.3	590.10	0.0
Jun	679.67	3.0	676.88	-1.7	697.70	3.0	626.10	4.9	618.07	6.7	724.57	3.7	644.59	3.8	562.75	0.6	592.36	3.0	565.77	6.9	584.93	0.3
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Average:																						
Jan-Jun03	659.58		682.32		683.23		597.57		577.37		699.04		617.76		557.27		570.85		540.44		579.85	
Jan-Jun04	678.96		677.10		694.19		632.91		613.21		727.66		635.14		570.78		587.68		560.51		589.45	
% Change	2.9		-0.8		1.6		5.9		6.2		4.1		2.8		2.4		2.9		3.7		1.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
May	18.51	2.9	18.68	-1.6	18.53	3.8	16.77	4.0	16.91	6.7	19.58	3.7	18.00	3.3	15.00	1.5	15.82	1.4	14.66	1.7	15.50	-0.1
Jun	18.42	3.3	18.64	-1.8	18.52	4.0	16.79	4.5	16.85	6.9	19.44	3.9	17.98	4.0	14.85	2.2	15.68	2.8	14.75	5.6	15.17	0.5
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Average:																						
Jan-Jun03	18.00		19.06		18.03		16.27		15.88		18.85		17.40		14.79		15.38		14.64		15.44	
Jan-Jun04	18.54		18.85		18.36		17.10		16.87		19.60		17.94		15.23		15.86		15.16		15.64	
% Change	3.0		-1.1		1.8		5.1		6.2		4.0		3.1		3.0		3.1		3.6		1.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
May	16,117.7	2.0	2,062.2	2.3	1,763.7	2.2	497.4	0.7	581.1	0.7	6,366.9	1.8	3,739.8	2.1	354.6	4.6	454.8	3.2	71.9	0.7	225.3	2.2
Jun	16,376.6	1.9	2,117.1	3.7	1,789.2	1.9	503.0	0.3	586.2	1.1	6,436.7	2.0	3,797.4	1.2	369.2	2.0	463.3	2.6	74.9	-3.1	239.6	0.7
Jul																						
Aug																						
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Jun03	15,569.8		1,994.3		1,697.8		483.4		565.6		6,173.7		3,611.5		337.0		429.1		66.3		211.2	
Jan-Jun04	15,836.3		2,040.0		1,740.0		485.4		570.9		6,274.0		3,665.5		342.2		437.8		66.6		214.0	
% Change	1.7		2.3		2.5		0.4		0.9		1.6		1.5		1.5		2.0		0.5		1.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May	34.9	1.2	33.4	0.6	36.0	0.6	36.6	-1.6	34.4	-1.4	35.5	2.6	33.9	0.0	35.0	-1.4	35.5	0.6	37.6	1.1	35.0	0.0
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.9	36.1	0.3	36.1	0.0	35.4	1.4	35.3	1.1	33.8	0.0	35.2	-2.2	35.0	-1.7	37.2	-1.8	36.6	0.5
Jul																						
Aug																						
Sep																						
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Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Jun03	33.4		32.2		35.0		34.1		33.5		33.5		32.9		34.5		33.1		34.2		33.6	
Jan-Jun04	33.7		32.6		35.2		34.2		34.1		34.2		32.7		34.1		31.9		32.5		33.2	
% Change	0.8		1.2		0.7		0.2		1.7		1.9		-0.6		-1.1		-3.4		-4.9		-1.2	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1994									377.6		1,194.9					
	1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
	1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003	Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
	Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
	Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
	Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
	May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
	Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
	Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
	Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
	Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
	Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
	Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
	Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004	Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
	Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
	Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
	Apr	778.88	5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
	May	762.83	-6.4	648.02	-0.2	19.28	-6.0	18.53	-0.2	435.3	0.9	1,627.0	2.7	37.3	-0.3	32.3	0.6
	Jun	778.62	-6.0	650.04	-0.2	19.25	-6.4	18.48	-0.4	458.1	4.7	1,659.0	3.4	38.7	3.5	32.5	0.3
	Jul																
	Aug																
	Sep																
	Oct																
	Nov																
	Dec																
Average:																	
Jan-Jun03		816.04		648.02		20.56		18.67		416.6		1,577.8		36.4		31.1	
Jan-Jun04		782.90		650.69		19.75		18.63		422.8		1,617.2		36.8		31.6	
% Change		-4.1		0.4		-3.9		-0.2		1.5		2.5		1.1		1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May	762.83	-6.4	486.07	5.5	983.25	0.8	1007.08	-2.3	766.53	-6.2	736.90	-5.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	517.76	3.4	983.39	5.3	962.76	-10.2	775.31	-7.1	770.34	-3.4
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jun03	816.04		454.25		981.47		1049.71		810.24		801.66	
Jan-Jun04	782.90		497.35		981.36		1032.50		775.05		777.29	
% Change	-4.1		9.5		0.0		-1.6		-4.3		-3.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May	648.02	-0.2	744.04	-7.5	504.83	-1.8	744.10	-0.5	847.88	-2.3	787.24	-2.3	749.65	10.0	363.11	5.1	894.57	-1.3	671.73	-1.8
Jun	650.04	-0.2	756.59	-3.1	528.52	1.3	726.45	2.0	782.72	-6.5	818.67	-1.6	720.11	1.0	370.89	2.8	897.12	0.2	676.88	-1.7
Jul																				
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	648.02		808.83		514.72		738.80		874.70		777.78		694.43		355.22		900.13		682.32	
Jan-Jun04	650.69		746.22		514.38		745.68		821.50		791.27		746.41		360.65		903.13		677.10	
% Change	0.4		-7.7		-0.1		0.9		-6.1		1.7		7.5		1.5		0.3		-0.8	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May	19.28	-6.0	11.96	3.5	24.29	3.6	26.22	-3.0	19.33	-6.4	18.86	-4.6
Jun	19.25	-6.4	12.25	-2.5	23.27	5.9	24.30	-13.8	19.37	-7.1	19.06	-3.9
Jul												
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jun03	20.56		12.25		23.46		27.42		20.47		20.25	
Jan-Jun04	19.75		12.86		23.66		26.98		19.64		19.59	
% Change	-3.9		4.9		0.8		-1.6		-4.1		-3.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
May	18.53	-0.2	19.56	-3.5	14.54	-2.1	19.92	0.2	22.78	-0.2	24.19	-0.3	22.20	3.3	11.56	2.9	24.44	2.7	18.68	-1.6
Jun	18.48	-0.4	19.77	-2.3	14.98	1.6	19.83	1.7	21.01	-6.2	24.72	-0.3	21.54	-1.0	11.72	5.2	24.64	3.5	18.64	-1.8
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Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	18.67		20.64		14.85		20.09		23.37		24.23		21.53		11.41		24.01		19.06	
Jan-Jun04	18.63		19.36		14.92		20.25		21.79		24.23		22.26		11.62		24.60		18.85	
% Change	-0.2		-6.2		0.4		0.8		-6.8		0.0		3.4		1.9		2.5		-1.1	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
May	435.3	0.9	40.5	14.7	20.8	-25.2	3.8	58.3	11.4	-38.4	204.5	-3.9	29.1	-9.1	44.3	-16.1	14.5	2.1	142.2	18.6
Jun	458.1	4.7	41.9	17.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	205.3	-1.9	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	0.0	-100.0	158.9	24.1
Jul																				
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Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	416.6		33.2		28.5		4.1		14.0		206.0		29.3		50.0		15.8		117.0	
Jan-Jun04	422.8		35.5		16.8		3.0		8.9		201.7		26.5		39.8		9.1		139.4	
% Change	1.5		6.8		-40.9		-27.5		-36.5		-2.1		-9.7		-20.6		-42.5		19.2	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
May	1,627.0	2.7	119.0	1.0	302.2	-3.7	136.3	13.8	973.3	2.7	136.7	-7.9	221.8	5.2	175.3	10.0	96.1	13.5	2,062.2	2.3
Jun	1,659.0	3.4	125.0	10.9	307.3	-3.0	133.1	9.1	996.3	3.6	135.2	-7.3	227.9	6.3	183.7	11.2	97.4	6.7	2,117.1	3.7
Jul																				
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Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jun03	1,577.8		114.8		315.8		125.8		936.1		154.1		211.8		159.6		85.3		1,994.3	
Jan-Jun04	1,617.2		116.1		307.9		131.2		965.4		140.6		220.2		177.1		96.6		2,040.0	
% Change	2.5		1.1		-2.5		4.3		3.1		-8.8		4.0		11.0		13.3		2.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.5A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
May	37.3	-0.3	39.8	-0.5	38.2	4.9	35.8	-0.3	36.7	-1.9	37.4	0.3
Jun	38.7	3.5	41.1	-4.0	41.2	3.3	31.3	-16.8	37.5	1.4	39.6	11.9
Jul												
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Average:												
Jan-Jun03	36.4		35.8		38.4		36.1		36.7		35.1	
Jan-Jun04	36.8		36.0		38.3		32.3		36.7		36.9	
% Change	1.1		0.7		-0.2		-10.5		0.0		5.0	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.5B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May	32.3	0.6	38.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	36.9	2.2	30.3	-3.5	31.0	11.1	28.7	-5.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.5	0.3	39.1	10.8	32.1	0.6	32.9	0.0	35.6	2.9	30.1	-6.5	29.9	-0.3	30.3	-3.8	33.6	-5.4	33.8	0.9
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Jan-Jun03	31.1		35.3		30.7		33.3		34.4		29.6		28.4		29.2		34.4		32.2	
Jan-Jun04	31.6		36.5		31.1		32.8		36.2		27.8		29.7		28.9		33.0		32.6	
% Change	1.3		3.6		1.4		-1.6		5.4		-6.1		4.5		-1.3		-4.1		1.2	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

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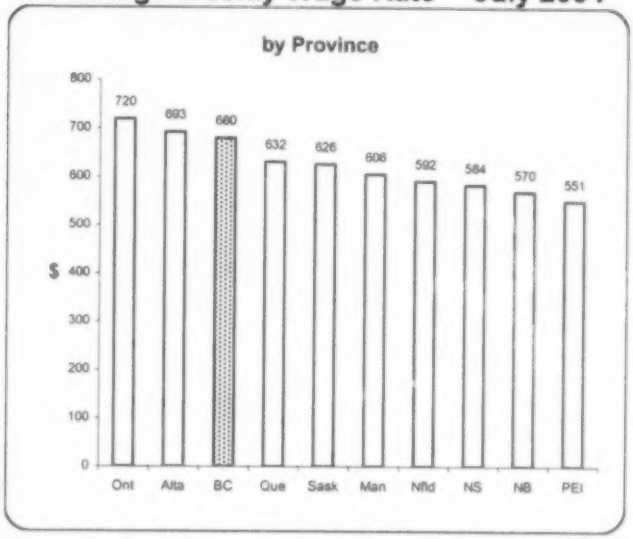
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - July 2004

by Province



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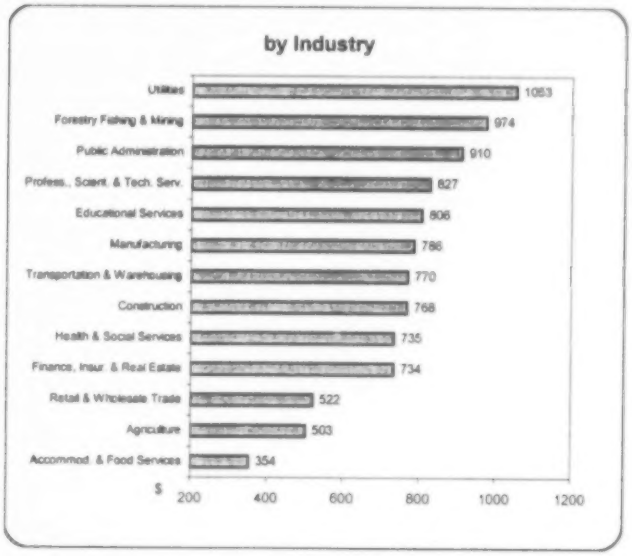

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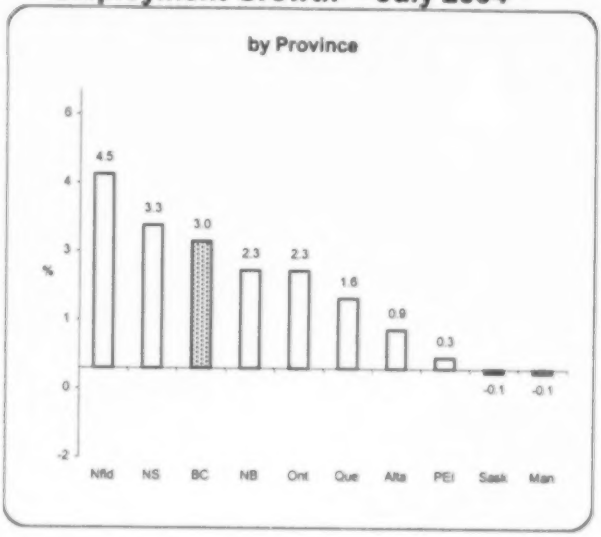
Employment Growth* - July 2004

by Province



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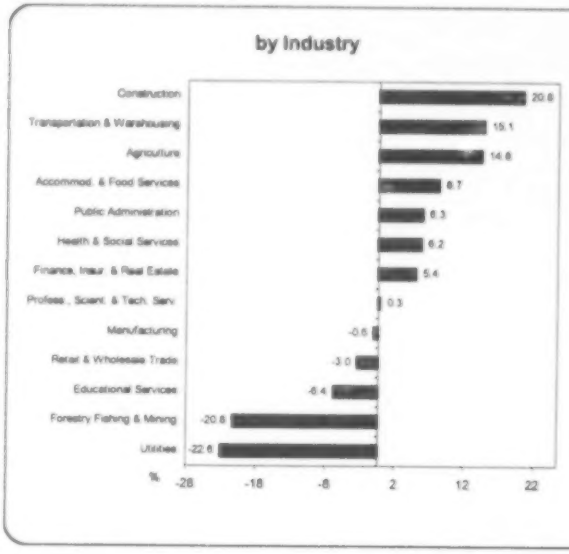

* *Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
	Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
	Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
	Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.4	1.6	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.6
	May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.8	2.6	3.6	-4.2	0.2	0.5	2.4	2.1	0.9	7.8	7.2	5.6
	Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.7	3.0	0.6	-4.4	0.5	-2.6	3.5	1.9	1.0	7.5	7.3	5.6
	Jul				-0.7	2.4	2.3				3.0	2.0	1.5	7.3	7.2	5.5
	Aug															
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	[illegible]	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
May	680.24	2.6	671.73	-1.8	700.78	3.2	622.35	4.1	618.72	6.9	728.35	3.5	640.49	2.9	565.54	1.0	594.76	1.4	560.61	3.3	590.10	0.0
Jun	679.67	3.0	676.88	-1.7	697.70	3.0	626.10	4.9	618.07	6.7	724.57	3.7	644.59	3.8	562.75	0.6	592.36	3.0	565.77	6.9	584.93	0.3
Jul	678.57	2.4	682.85	-0.7	703.58	2.7	626.41	3.0	622.90	5.8	716.44	2.3	648.64	4.1	571.59	3.2	588.55	1.2	547.97	3.4	570.13	-2.0
Aug																						
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Average:																						
Jan-Jul03	659.99		683.04		683.53		599.04		578.99		699.19		618.56		556.78		572.36		538.96		580.10	
Jan-Jul04	678.90		677.92		695.53		631.98		614.60		726.05		637.07		570.90		587.81		558.72		586.69	
% Change	2.9		-0.7		1.8		5.5		6.1		3.8		3.0		2.5		2.7		3.7		1.1	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
May	18.51	2.9	18.68	-1.6	18.53	3.8	16.77	4.0	16.91	6.7	19.58	3.7	18.00	3.3	15.00	1.5	15.82	1.4	14.66	1.7	15.50	-0.1
Jun	18.42	3.3	18.64	-1.8	18.52	4.0	16.79	4.5	16.85	6.9	19.44	3.9	17.98	4.0	14.85	2.2	15.68	2.8	14.75	5.6	15.17	0.5
Jul	18.24	2.6	18.63	-1.3	18.28	2.3	16.68	3.6	16.68	5.6	19.17	2.8	17.86	4.0	14.96	4.5	15.48	1.1	14.36	3.2	14.67	-1.2
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Average:																						
Jan-Jul03	17.97		19.03		18.00		16.25		15.86		18.82		17.36		14.72		15.37		14.53		15.36	
Jan-Jul04	18.49		18.82		18.35		17.04		16.84		19.54		17.93		15.19		15.80		15.05		15.50	
% Change	2.9		-1.1		1.9		4.9		6.1		3.8		3.3		3.2		2.8		3.5		0.9	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
May	16,117.7	2.0	2,062.2	2.3	1,763.7	2.2	497.4	0.7	581.1	0.7	6,366.9	1.8	3,739.8	2.1	354.6	4.6	454.8	3.2	71.9	0.7	225.3	2.2
Jun	16,376.6	1.9	2,117.1	3.7	1,789.2	1.9	503.0	0.3	586.2	1.1	6,436.7	2.0	3,797.4	1.2	369.2	2.0	463.3	2.6	74.9	-3.1	239.6	0.7
Jul	16,407.3	2.0	2,116.9	3.0	1,772.0	0.9	499.9	-0.1	578.6	-0.1	6,453.1	2.3	3,817.2	1.6	374.1	2.3	466.2	3.3	75.9	0.3	253.4	4.5
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Average:																						
Jan-Jul03	15,644.2		2,003.1		1,706.1		485.8		567.5		6,193.0		3,632.1		341.1		432.2		67.6		215.6	
Jan-Jul04	15,917.9		2,050.9		1,744.6		487.5		572.0		6,299.6		3,687.2		346.7		441.8		67.9		219.6	
% Change	1.7		2.4		2.3		0.3		0.8		1.7		1.5		1.6		2.2		0.4		1.9	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May	34.9	1.2	33.4	0.6	36.0	0.6	36.6	-1.6	34.4	-1.4	35.5	2.6	33.9	0.0	35.0	-1.4	35.5	0.6	37.6	1.1	35.0	0.0
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.9	36.1	0.3	36.1	0.0	35.4	1.4	35.3	1.1	33.8	0.0	35.2	-2.2	35.0	-1.7	37.2	-1.8	36.6	0.5
Jul	31.9	1.9	32.2	1.9	34.1	-0.9	32.3	0.3	32.2	0.0	32.0	-1.2	30.2	12.3	32.6	-3.3	32.2	-1.5	33.8	0.9	34.6	3.6
Aug																						
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Jul03	33.1		32.1		34.9		33.8		33.3		33.3		32.0		34.4		33.0		34.1		33.6	
Jan-Jul04	33.4		32.6		35.1		33.9		33.8		33.8		32.4		33.9		32.0		32.7		33.4	
% Change	0.9		1.3		0.5		0.2		1.5		1.5		1.0		-1.4		-3.2		-4.1		-0.5	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

Produced by: BC STATS

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
	Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994									377.6		1,194.9					
1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
Apr	778.88	-5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
May	762.83	-6.4	648.02	-0.2	19.28	-6.0	18.53	-0.2	435.3	0.9	1,627.0	2.7	37.3	-0.3	32.3	0.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	650.04	-0.2	19.25	-6.4	18.48	-0.4	458.1	4.7	1,659.0	3.4	38.7	3.5	32.5	0.3
Jul	789.55	-1.8	653.70	-0.1	19.56	-3.3	18.37	-0.6	468.9	3.9	1,648.0	2.7	37.0	3.1	30.8	1.3
Aug																
Sep																
Oct																
Nov																
Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Jul03	814.29		648.95		20.51		18.64		421.5		1,581.6		36.3		31.0	
Jan-Jul04	783.85		651.12		19.72		18.59		429.3		1,621.6		36.8		31.4	
% Change	-3.7		0.3		-3.9		-0.3		1.9		2.5		1.3		1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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3.2A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May	762.83	-6.4	486.07	5.5	983.25	0.8	1007.08	-2.3	766.53	-6.2	736.90	-5.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	517.76	3.4	983.39	5.3	962.76	-10.2	775.31	-7.1	770.34	-3.4
Jul	789.55	-1.8	507.43	5.8	1003.41	6.2	957.32	-11.9	800.31	-0.1	756.87	-2.6
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jul03	814.29		457.85		976.18		1054.96		808.98		798.13	
Jan-Jul04	783.85		498.79		984.51		1021.76		778.65		774.38	
% Change	-3.7		8.9		0.9		-3.1		-3.7		-3.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May	648.02	-0.2	744.04	-7.5	504.83	-1.8	744.10	-0.5	847.88	-2.3	787.24	-2.3	749.65	10.0	363.11	5.1	894.57	-1.3	671.73	-1.8
Jun	650.04	-0.2	756.59	-3.1	528.52	1.3	726.45	2.0	782.72	-6.5	818.67	-1.6	720.11	1.0	370.89	2.8	897.12	0.2	676.88	-1.7
Jul	653.70	-0.1	804.58	-1.4	535.44	5.0	720.56	1.6	793.69	-4.0	877.60	1.3	701.47	-3.9	364.79	-3.1	901.28	0.0	682.85	-0.7
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul03	648.95		809.80		514.06		734.54		867.82		790.39		699.52		358.25		900.29		683.04	
Jan-Jul04	651.12		754.56		517.39		742.09		817.52		803.61		739.99		361.24		902.87		677.92	
% Change	0.3		-6.8		0.6		1.0		-5.8		1.7		5.8		0.8		0.3		-0.7	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May	19.28	-6.0	11.96	3.5	24.29	3.6	26.22	-3.0	19.33	-6.4	18.86	-4.6
Jun	19.25	-6.4	12.25	-2.5	23.27	5.9	24.30	-13.8	19.37	-7.1	19.06	-3.9
Jul	19.56	-3.3	11.86	-0.9	23.74	5.4	24.43	-14.9	19.86	-2.1	19.22	-2.5
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jul03	20.51		12.21		23.33		27.60		20.44		20.17	
Jan-Jul04	19.72		12.71		23.67		26.62		19.67		19.54	
% Change	-3.9		4.1		1.5		-3.6		-3.8		-3.2	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																		
1995																		
1996																		
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
May	18.53	-0.2	19.56	-3.5	14.54	-2.1	19.92	0.2	22.78	-0.2	24.19	-0.3	22.20	3.3	11.56	2.9	24.44	2.7	18.68	-1.6
Jun	18.48	-0.4	19.77	-2.3	14.98	1.6	19.83	1.7	21.01	-6.2	24.72	-0.3	21.54	-1.0	11.72	5.2	24.64	3.5	18.64	-1.8
Jul	18.37	-0.6	20.04	-3.0	14.96	3.2	19.41	-1.4	20.97	-3.9	25.13	-0.6	21.28	-4.6	11.60	2.4	24.49	2.3	18.63	-1.3
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul03	18.64		20.64		14.80		20.03		23.14		24.38		21.64		11.40		24.00		19.03	
Jan-Jul04	18.59		19.46		14.92		20.13		21.67		24.36		22.12		11.62		24.59		18.82	
% Change	-0.3		-5.7		0.8		0.5		-6.4		-0.1		2.2		1.9		2.5		-1.1	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.6		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
May	435.3	0.9	40.5	14.7	20.8	-25.2	3.8	58.3	11.4	-38.4	204.5	-3.9	29.1	-9.1	44.3	-16.1	14.5	2.1	142.2	18.6
Jun	458.1	4.7	41.9	17.0	25.7	-14.3	3.7	-28.8	10.9	-29.2	205.3	-1.9	29.4	-2.6	44.7	-13.4	14.3	-13.3	158.9	24.1
Jul	468.9	3.9	43.5	14.8	29.6	-12.4	2.7	-43.8	10.8	-31.6	212.2	-0.6	25.3	-20.4	49.6	-5.5	13.1	-14.9	159.8	20.8
Aug																				
Sep																				
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Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul03	421.5		33.9		29.2		4.2		14.2		207.1		29.6		50.4		15.7		119.2	
Jan-Jul04	429.3		36.6		22.3		3.4		10.7		203.2		30.5		47.5		11.7		142.3	
% Change	1.9		8.1		-23.6		-17.5		-24.8		-1.9		2.8		-5.6		-25.7		19.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
May	1,627.0	2.7	119.0	1.0	302.2	-3.7	136.3	13.8	973.3	2.7	136.7	-7.9	221.8	5.2	175.3	10.0	96.1	13.5	2,062.2	2.3
Jun	1,659.0	3.4	125.0	10.9	307.3	-3.0	133.1	9.1	996.3	3.6	135.2	-7.3	227.9	6.3	183.7	11.2	97.4	6.7	2,117.1	3.7
Jul	1,648.0	2.7	127.8	15.1	318.1	-3.0	128.3	5.4	971.7	2.5	113.0	-6.4	226.0	6.2	184.0	8.7	102.3	6.3	2,116.9	3.0
Aug																				
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Jul03	1,581.6		114.3		317.5		125.2		937.7		149.3		211.9		161.0		86.8		2,003.1	
Jan-Jul04	1,621.6		117.8		309.4		130.8		966.3		136.6		221.0		178.1		97.4		2,050.9	
% Change	2.5		3.1		-2.6		4.5		3.0		-8.5		4.3		10.6		12.2		2.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
May	37.3	-0.3	39.8	-0.5	38.2	4.9	35.8	-0.3	36.7	-1.9	37.4	0.3
Jun	38.7	3.5	41.1	-4.0	41.2	3.3	31.3	-16.8	37.5	1.4	39.6	11.9
Jul	37.0	3.1	36.4	-7.4	41.1	13.9	32.8	-2.4	36.2	2.8	37.5	3.0
Aug												
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Jul03	36.3		36.3		38.1		35.7		36.5		35.3	
Jan-Jul04	36.8		36.1		38.7		32.3		36.6		37.0	
% Change	1.3		-0.6		1.7		-9.4		0.4		4.7	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May	32.3	0.6	38.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	36.9	2.2	30.3	-3.5	31.0	11.1	28.7	-5.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.5	0.3	39.1	10.8	32.1	0.6	32.9	0.0	35.6	2.9	30.1	-6.5	29.9	-0.3	30.3	-3.8	33.6	-5.4	33.8	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.8	2.7	32.0	2.2	33.1	4.4	34.6	-0.6	15.5	-11.4	27.8	0.7	29.9	-6.3	32.4	-0.9	32.2	1.9
Aug																				
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Average:																				
Jan-Jul03	31.0		35.5		30.8		33.0		34.4		27.9		28.3		29.6		34.1		32.1	
Jan-Jul04	31.4		36.7		31.2		32.8		36.0		26.1		29.4		29.0		32.9		32.6	
% Change	1.3		3.5		1.5		-0.7		4.5		-6.6		3.9		-2.0		-3.7		1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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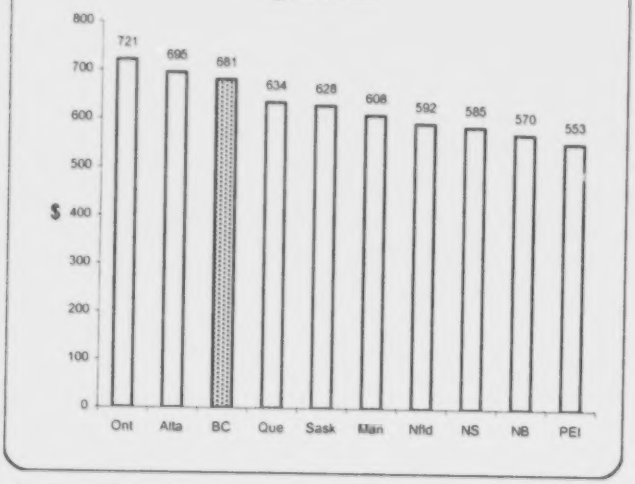
Earnings & Employment Trends ♦ August 2004

Average Weekly Wage Rate* - August 2004

by Province



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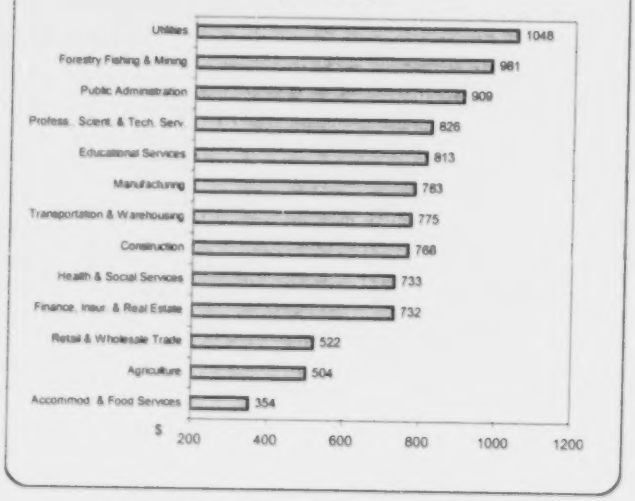
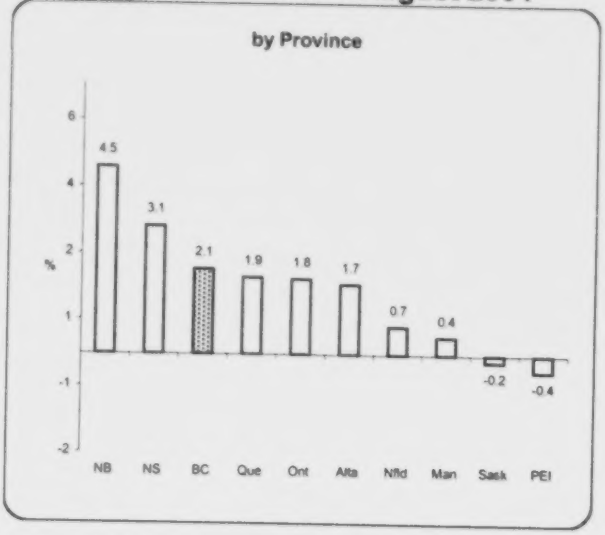


** Latest 12 month average*

Employment Growth* - August 2004

by Province



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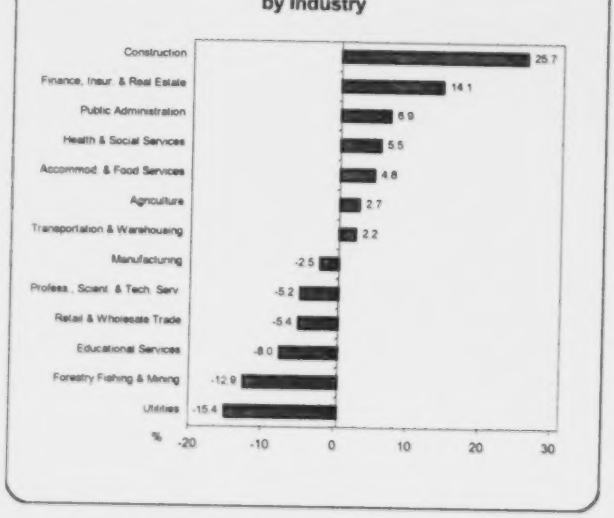

** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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1 SUMMARY TRENDS

	Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
				Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
	% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003 Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004 Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.4	1.6	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.6
May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.8	2.6	3.6	-4.2	0.2	0.5	2.4	2.1	0.9	7.8	7.2	5.6
Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.7	3.0	0.6	-4.4	0.5	-2.6	3.5	1.9	1.0	7.5	7.3	5.6
Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.4	2.6	-3.0	0.1	-0.3	3.0	2.0	1.5	7.3	7.2	5.5
Aug				0.4	2.4	3.5				1.9	2.0	1.4	7.7	7.2	5.4
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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
May	680.24	2.6	671.73	-1.8	700.78	3.2	622.35	4.1	618.72	6.9	728.35	3.5	640.49	2.9	565.54	1.0	594.76	1.4	560.61	3.3	590.10	0.0
Jun	679.67	3.0	676.88	-1.7	697.70	3.0	626.10	4.9	618.07	6.7	724.57	3.7	644.59	3.8	562.75	0.6	592.36	3.0	565.77	6.9	584.93	0.3
Jul	678.57	2.4	682.85	-0.7	703.58	2.7	626.41	3.0	622.90	5.8	716.44	2.3	648.64	4.1	571.59	3.2	588.55	1.2	547.97	3.4	570.13	-2.0
Aug	682.29	2.4	690.10	0.4	714.42	3.1	624.29	2.3	619.65	5.0	717.75	1.9	651.77	4.0	572.91	0.8	593.85	2.5	557.51	4.7	584.40	0.0
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Average:																						
Jan-Aug03	660.80		683.58		684.73		600.47		580.42		699.84		619.60		558.19		573.25		538.14		580.63	
Jan-Aug04	679.33		679.44		697.89		631.02		615.23		725.02		638.91		571.15		588.56		558.57		586.41	
% Change	2.8		-0.6		1.9		5.1		6.0		3.6		3.1		2.3		2.7		3.8		1.0	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
May	18.51	2.9	18.68	-1.6	18.53	3.8	16.77	4.0	16.91	6.7	19.58	3.7	18.00	3.3	15.00	1.5	15.82	1.4	14.66	1.7	15.50	-0.1
Jun	18.42	3.3	18.64	-1.8	18.52	4.0	16.79	4.5	16.85	6.9	19.44	3.9	17.98	4.0	14.85	2.2	15.68	2.8	14.75	5.6	15.17	0.5
Jul	18.24	2.6	18.63	-1.3	18.28	2.3	16.68	3.6	16.68	5.6	19.17	2.8	17.86	4.0	14.96	4.5	15.48	1.1	14.36	3.2	14.67	-1.2
Aug	18.28	2.4	18.79	-0.2	18.52	3.1	16.63	2.6	16.58	5.4	19.13	2.2	17.91	3.6	14.91	2.4	15.47	1.7	14.54	4.5	14.80	-0.3
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Aug03	17.96		19.01		18.00		16.24		15.85		18.81		17.36		14.70		15.35		14.46		15.29	
Jan-Aug04	18.47		18.81		18.37		16.99		16.81		19.49		17.93		15.16		15.76		14.98		15.41	
% Change	2.8		-1.0		2.1		4.6		6.0		3.6		3.3		3.1		2.7		3.7		0.8	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
May	16,117.7	2.0	2,062.2	2.3	1,763.7	2.2	497.4	0.7	581.1	0.7	6,366.9	1.8	3,739.8	2.1	354.6	4.6	454.8	3.2	71.9	0.7	225.3	2.2
Jun	16,376.6	1.9	2,117.1	3.7	1,789.2	1.9	503.0	0.3	586.2	1.1	6,436.7	2.0	3,797.4	1.2	369.2	2.0	463.3	2.6	74.9	-3.1	239.6	0.7
Jul	16,407.3	2.0	2,116.9	3.0	1,772.0	0.9	499.9	-0.1	578.6	-0.1	6,453.1	2.3	3,817.2	1.6	374.1	2.3	466.2	3.3	75.9	0.3	253.4	4.5
Aug	16,337.8	1.8	2,102.2	2.1	1,781.6	1.7	498.5	-0.2	581.0	0.4	6,441.4	1.8	3,779.1	1.9	376.5	4.5	463.0	3.1	76.2	-0.4	238.2	0.7
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Aug03	15,694.8		2,010.2		1,711.8		487.5		568.9		6,209.7		3,641.8		343.5		434.4		68.8		218.2	
Jan-Aug04	15,970.4		2,057.4		1,749.2		488.9		573.1		6,317.3		3,698.7		350.5		444.5		69.0		222.0	
% Change	1.8		2.3		2.2		0.3		0.7		1.7		1.6		2.0		2.3		0.3		1.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May	34.9	1.2	33.4	0.6	36.0	0.6	36.6	-1.6	34.4	-1.4	35.5	2.6	33.9	0.0	35.0	-1.4	35.5	0.6	37.6	1.1	35.0	0.0
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.9	36.1	0.3	36.1	0.0	35.4	1.4	35.3	1.1	33.8	0.0	35.2	-2.2	35.0	-1.7	37.2	-1.8	36.6	0.5
Jul	31.9	1.9	32.2	1.9	34.1	-0.9	32.3	0.3	32.2	0.0	32.0	-1.2	30.2	12.3	32.6	-3.3	32.2	-1.5	33.8	0.9	34.6	3.6
Aug	31.9	4.2	30.7	0.7	33.8	2.1	32.7	-1.5	31.5	-3.4	32.4	7.6	30.5	4.1	32.7	-1.8	31.7	0.6	33.2	-1.5	31.8	-0.6
Sep																						
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Aug03	32.8		31.9		34.7		33.7		33.2		32.9		31.7		34.2		32.8		34.0		33.4	
Jan-Aug04	33.2		32.3		34.9		33.7		33.5		33.7		32.1		33.7		31.9		32.7		33.2	
% Change	1.3		1.2		0.7		0.0		0.9		2.2		1.3		-1.4		-2.7		-3.8		-0.5	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1994									377.6		1,194.9					
	1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
	1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003	Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
	Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
	Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
	Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
	May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
	Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
	Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
	Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
	Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
	Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
	Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
	Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004	Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
	Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
	Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
	Apr	778.88	-5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
	May	762.83	-6.4	648.02	-0.2	19.28	-6.0	18.53	-0.2	435.3	0.9	1,627.0	2.7	37.3	-0.3	32.3	0.6
	Jun	778.62	-6.0	650.04	-0.2	19.25	-6.4	18.48	-0.4	458.1	4.7	1,659.0	3.4	38.7	3.5	32.5	0.3
	Jul	789.55	-1.8	653.70	-0.1	19.56	-3.3	18.37	-0.6	468.9	3.9	1,648.0	2.7	37.0	3.1	30.8	1.3
	Aug	790.20	-2.6	662.98	1.4	19.52	-4.5	18.59	1.1	465.7	4.8	1,636.5	1.3	36.1	1.4	29.2	0.3
	Sep																
	Oct																
	Nov																
	Dec																
Average:																	
Jan-Aug03		813.89		649.55		20.50		18.61		424.4		1,585.8		36.2		30.8	
Jan-Aug04		784.64		652.60		19.69		18.59		433.9		1,623.5		36.7		31.2	
% Change		-3.6		0.5		-3.9		-0.1		2.2		2.4		1.3		1.2	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May	762.83	-6.4	486.07	5.5	983.25	0.8	1007.08	-2.3	766.53	-6.2	736.90	-5.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	517.76	3.4	983.39	5.3	962.76	-10.2	775.31	-7.1	770.34	-3.4
Jul	789.55	-1.8	507.43	5.8	1003.41	6.2	957.32	-11.9	800.31	-0.1	756.87	-2.6
Aug	790.20	-2.6	506.45	2.1	1027.80	8.9	1041.74	-5.0	775.29	-4.8	790.43	-0.2
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Aug03	813.89		462.62		972.10		1060.18		809.67		797.34	
Jan-Aug04	784.64		499.75		989.92		1024.26		778.23		776.38	
% Change	-3.6		8.0		1.8		-3.4		-3.9		-2.6	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May	648.02	-0.2	744.04	-7.5	504.83	-1.8	744.10	-0.5	847.88	-2.3	787.24	-2.3	749.65	10.0	363.11	5.1	894.57	-1.3	671.73	-1.8
Jun	650.04	-0.2	756.59	-3.1	528.52	1.3	726.45	2.0	782.72	-6.5	818.67	-1.6	720.11	1.0	370.89	2.8	897.12	0.2	676.88	-1.7
Jul	653.70	-0.1	804.58	-1.4	535.44	5.0	720.56	1.6	793.69	-4.0	877.60	1.3	701.47	-3.9	364.79	-3.1	901.28	0.0	682.85	-0.7
Aug	662.98	1.4	823.94	7.0	517.24	0.1	704.29	-3.0	827.29	-1.6	949.16	10.0	715.72	-2.3	366.66	-1.5	899.02	-1.2	690.10	0.4
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Aug03	649.55		804.85		514.37		733.52		864.46		799.47		703.63		360.00		901.46		683.58	
Jan-Aug04	652.60		763.23		517.37		737.36		818.74		821.80		736.96		361.92		902.39		679.44	
% Change	0.5		-5.2		0.6		0.5		-5.3		2.8		4.7		0.5		0.1		-0.6	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	26.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May	19.28	-6.0	11.96	3.5	24.29	3.6	26.22	-3.0	19.33	-6.4	18.86	-4.6
Jun	19.25	-6.4	12.25	-2.5	23.27	5.9	24.30	-13.8	19.37	-7.1	19.06	-3.9
Jul	19.56	-3.3	11.86	-0.9	23.74	5.4	24.43	-14.9	19.86	-2.1	19.22	-2.5
Aug	19.52	-4.5	11.97	-4.6	23.10	3.1	25.16	-14.5	19.58	-5.0	19.65	-2.1
Sep												
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Aug03	20.50		12.26		23.21		27.83		20.46		20.16	
Jan-Aug04	19.69		12.62		23.60		26.44		19.66		19.55	
% Change	-3.9		3.0		1.7		-5.0		-3.9		-3.0	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																		
1995																		
1996																		
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
May	18.53	-0.2	19.56	-3.5	14.54	-2.1	19.92	0.2	22.78	-0.2	24.19	-0.3	22.20	3.3	11.56	2.9	24.44	2.7	18.68	-1.6
Jun	18.48	-0.4	19.77	-2.3	14.98	1.6	19.83	1.7	21.01	-6.2	24.72	-0.3	21.54	-1.0	11.72	5.2	24.64	3.5	18.64	-1.8
Jul	18.37	-0.6	20.04	-3.0	14.96	3.2	19.41	-1.4	20.97	-3.9	25.13	-0.6	21.28	-4.6	11.60	2.4	24.49	2.3	18.63	-1.3
Aug	18.59	1.1	20.08	3.4	14.59	0.2	19.35	-1.9	21.97	0.5	26.92	9.3	21.72	-3.6	11.55	2.9	24.52	-0.1	18.79	-0.2
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Aug03	18.61		20.49		14.77		19.99		22.98		24.42		21.75		11.38		24.07		19.01	
Jan-Aug04	18.59		19.54		14.88		20.03		21.71		24.68		22.07		11.61		24.58		18.81	
% Change	-0.1		-4.7		0.8		0.2		-5.5		1.1		1.4		2.1		2.1		-1.0	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
May	435.3	0.9	40.5	14.7	20.8	-25.2	3.8	58.3	11.4	-38.4	204.5	-3.9	29.1	-9.1	44.3	-16.1	14.5	2.1	142.2	18.6
Jun	458.1	4.7	41.9	17.0	25.7	-14.3	3.7	-28.8	10.9	-29.2	205.3	-1.9	29.4	-2.6	44.7	-13.4	14.3	-13.3	158.9	24.1
Jul	468.9	3.9	43.5	14.8	29.6	-12.4	2.7	-43.8	10.8	-31.6	212.2	-0.6	25.3	-20.4	49.6	-5.5	13.1	-14.9	159.8	20.8
Aug	465.7	4.8	42.0	2.7	25.3	-13.4	4.0	-40.3	11.0	4.8	207.1	-2.5	29.4	-18.6	42.5	-5.6	11.9	-16.8	164.7	25.7
Sep																				
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Aug03	424.4		34.8		29.2		4.5		13.8		207.8		30.5		49.7		15.6		120.6	
Jan-Aug04	433.9		37.3		22.7		3.5		10.7		203.7		30.4		46.9		11.7		145.1	
% Change	2.2		7.3		-22.3		-21.7		-22.0		-2.0		-0.3		-5.6		-24.7		20.3	

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.0	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
May	1,627.0	2.7	119.0	1.0	302.2	-3.7	136.3	13.8	973.3	2.7	136.7	-7.9	221.8	5.2	175.3	10.0	96.1	13.5	2,062.2	2.3
Jun	1,659.0	3.4	125.0	10.9	307.3	-3.0	133.1	9.1	996.3	3.6	135.2	-7.3	227.9	6.3	183.7	11.2	97.4	6.7	2,117.1	3.7
Jul	1,648.0	2.7	127.8	15.1	318.1	-3.0	128.3	5.4	971.7	2.5	113.0	-6.4	226.0	6.2	184.0	8.7	102.3	6.3	2,116.9	3.0
Aug	1,636.5	1.3	119.4	2.2	304.7	-5.4	140.7	14.1	970.7	1.3	112.5	-8.0	221.3	5.5	185.1	4.8	101.0	6.9	2,102.2	2.1
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Average:																				
Jan-Aug03	1,585.8		114.6		318.1		125.0		940.3		145.9		211.6		163.0		87.8		2,010.2	
Jan-Aug04	1,623.5		118.0		308.8		132.0		966.8		133.6		221.1		179.0		97.9		2,057.4	
% Change	2.4		3.0		-2.9		5.6		2.8		-8.4		4.5		9.8		11.5		2.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
May	37.3	-0.3	39.8	-0.5	38.2	4.9	35.8	-0.3	36.7	-1.9	37.4	0.3
Jun	38.7	3.5	41.1	-4.0	41.2	3.3	31.3	-16.8	37.5	1.4	39.6	11.9
Jul	37.0	3.1	36.4	-7.4	41.1	13.9	32.8	-2.4	36.2	2.8	37.5	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.4	39.4	-7.9	41.2	5.6	31.4	0.0	34.9	1.7	35.8	2.9
Sep												
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Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Aug03	36.2		37.1		38.2		35.2		36.2		35.3	
Jan-Aug04	36.7		36.5		39.0		32.2		36.4		36.8	
% Change	1.3		-1.7		2.2		-8.4		0.6		4.5	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May	32.3	0.6	38.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	36.9	2.2	30.3	-3.5	31.0	11.1	28.7	-5.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.5	0.3	39.1	10.8	32.1	0.6	32.9	0.0	35.6	2.9	30.1	-6.5	29.9	-0.3	30.3	-3.8	33.6	-5.4	33.8	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.8	2.7	32.0	2.2	33.1	4.4	34.6	-0.6	15.5	-11.4	27.8	0.7	29.9	-6.3	32.4	-0.9	32.2	1.9
Aug	29.2	0.3	35.2	-1.9	30.9	0.3	30.9	3.0	32.9	3.1	15.6	4.7	26.7	6.4	28.6	-6.5	30.6	12.1	30.7	0.7
Sep																				
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Average:																				
Jan-Aug03	30.8		35.5		30.8		32.7		34.1		26.3		27.9		29.7		33.3		31.9	
Jan-Aug04	31.2		36.5		31.2		32.6		35.6		24.8		29.1		29.0		32.6		32.3	
% Change	1.2		2.8		1.3		-0.3		4.4		-5.8		4.2		-2.6		-2.1		1.2	

* Average Actual Hours, All Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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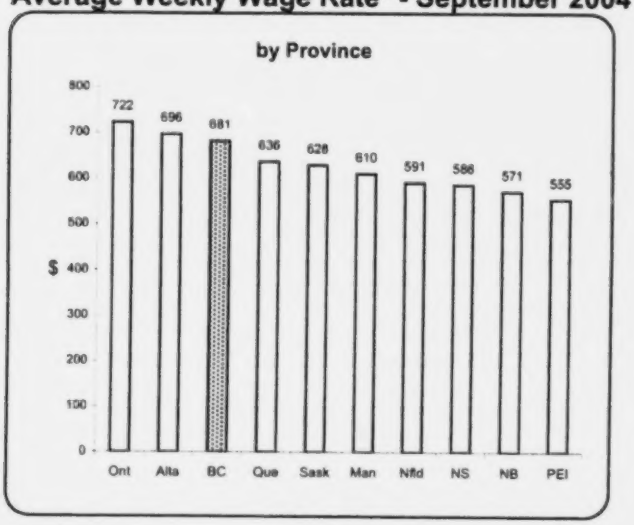
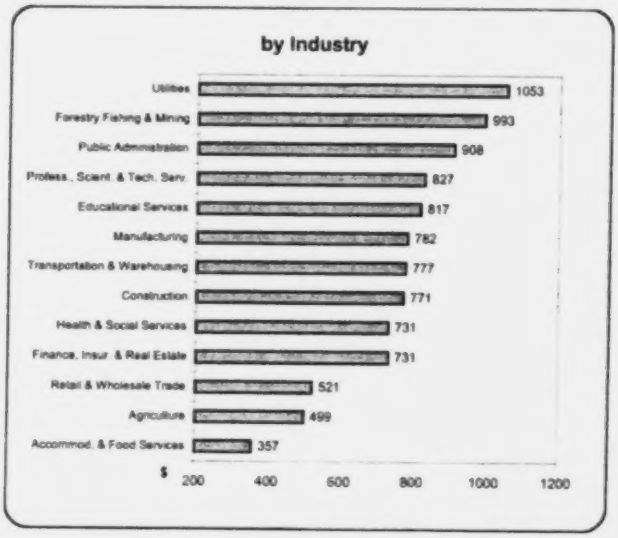
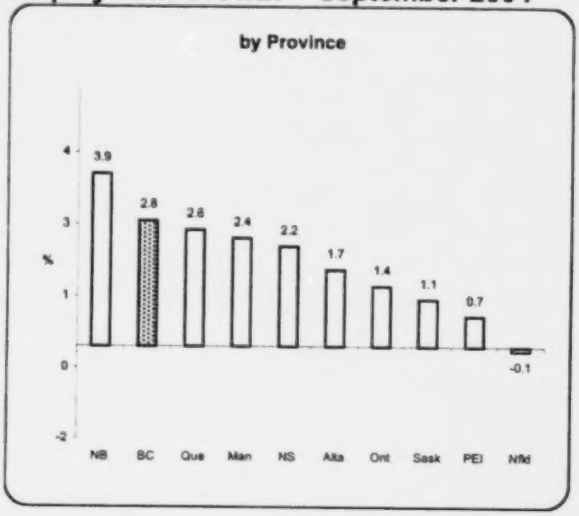
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - September 2004

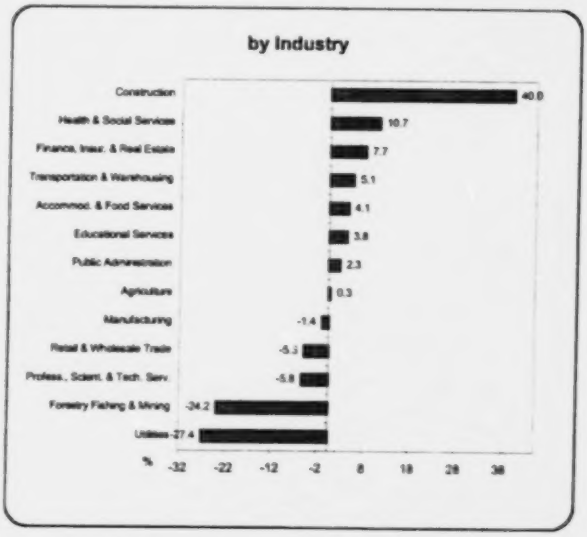




** Latest 12 month average*

Employment Growth* - September 2004





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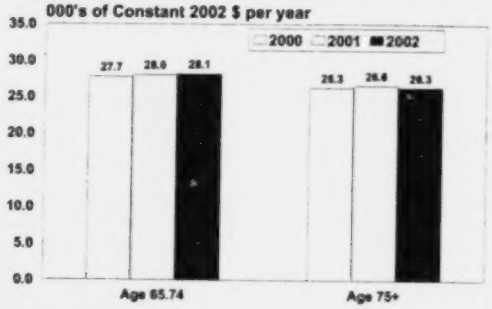
Feature Article: The Importance of Paid Work to the Economic Well-Being of Seniors

The Importance of Paid Work to the Economic Well-Being of Seniors

Statistics Canada produces data on Seniors' characteristics by source of income for various age groups. The information is assembled from Revenue Canada tax data and it provides both the number of seniors in receipt of income from a particular source as well as the total income received.

The breakout by source of income is extensive. In this article our main interest is the importance of paid work to seniors' economic well-being but we will also look at other income sources to help clarify the discussion. The analysis concentrates on the two age groups of 65-74 year olds and 75 years and over.

Total income for seniors has not changed very much in the last three years. In 2002, those over 74 years of age, reported* about $300 less in total income than those age 65-74.

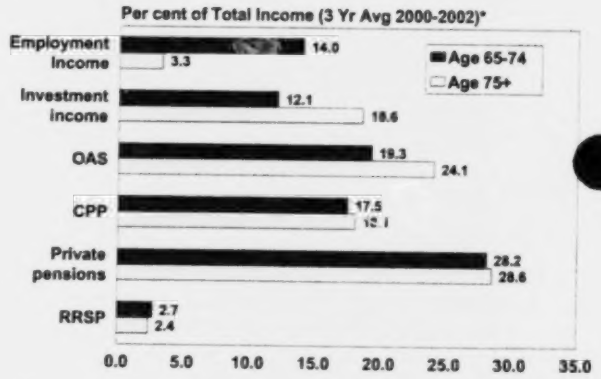


**Reported to the taxman.*

Real income for seniors age 65-74 edged up slightly between 2000 and 2002 by about $400 per year. An analysis of the source of that extra income shows that income from assets, that is investment income and RRSP's, actually declined by $800. This was fortunately more than offset by a $400 increase in private pensions and a $900 increase in employment income.

Average Income for those over 74 has remained fairly constant between 2000 and 2002 but they suffered a large decline in their investment income, dropping from 20 to 17 per cent of their total income. This loss was tempered by increases in both CPP and Private Pension benefits. While their income levels are lower than their younger counterparts, it is not as low as one might expect. In 2002, the gap was 6 per cent.

Employment Income remains an important source of income for Seniors age 65 to 74.



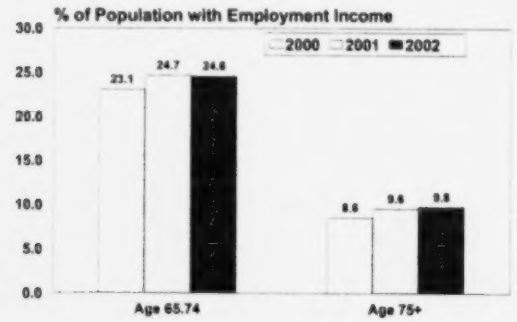
**Note: Does not sum to 100 because minor income sources are excluded.*

The chart above shows that employment income is a surprisingly important income source for seniors between age 65-74. Also of interest is that more than 3 per cent of income among 75+er's comes from paid employment. And for those who do work, the average employment income over the 3 years was $16,000 and $9,000, respectively.

But the value of the income from employment does not fully show the extent of seniors' participation in the

workforce. Close to 25 per cent of those age 65 to 74 were in the paid workforce in 2002 and over the three years that participation has been increasing,.

Remarkably, one in 4 seniors, aged 65-74, and one in 10 75+er's had paid employment in 2002.



The increase is likely the result of pensioners feeling the pinch from their decline in investment income and are obliged to supplement their income by returning to work. Both the numbers of self-employed and those earning a wage has been increasing.

The numbers from the chart on the previous page imply that the younger age group has considerably less reliance on investment income than those over 74. This may be due to a couple of factors; a considerably larger proportion of the older age group have investment income and they also earn more from that source. One explanation for this divergence might be that those over age 74 have already downsized their residence at a profit and have thus been able to increase their savings. We will probably see a similar trend among the 65-74 year olds as they age – a larger reliance on investment income and a lesser dependence on employment income.

What can we expect from those approaching retirement age? The population age 55-64 has been showing similar trends to those already there. The proportion with investment income has fallen from 55 to 50 per cent and among those with investment income, their revenues have fallen off by 10 per cent. Workforce participation is up with fewer showing signs of heading towards retirement, that is, fewer receiving CPP or a private pension.

The extent to which the age groups approaching retirement will have an increased reliance on RRSP's remains to be seen. But as it stands now, among the retirement-aged population, only about one in ten have any income from RRSP's and the average amount being withdrawn annually is only $7,100 for the 65-74 group and $5,300 for the 75+er's. This translates into a fairly insignificant income source of not much more than 2.5 per cent. For those moving towards their 60's, how the stock markets, and hence RRSP savings, fare in the next 10 years may prove to be the single most important determinant of the BC labour supply for many years to come.

1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
	Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
	Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
	Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.4	1.6	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.6
	May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.8	2.6	3.6	-4.2	0.2	0.5	2.4	2.1	0.9	7.8	7.2	5.6
	Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.7	3.0	0.6	-4.4	0.5	-2.6	3.5	1.9	1.0	7.5	7.3	5.6
	Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.4	2.6	-3.0	0.1	-0.4	3.0	2.0	1.5	7.3	7.2	5.5
	Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.4	3.3	-1.6	0.5	0.6	1.9	2.0	1.4	7.7	7.2	5.4
	Sep				1.4	2.4	2.0				2.7	2.0	1.3	7.1	7.1	5.4
	Oct															
	Nov															
	Dec															

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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
May	680.24	2.6	671.73	-1.8	700.78	3.2	622.35	4.1	618.72	6.9	728.35	3.5	640.49	2.9	565.54	1.0	594.76	1.4	560.61	3.3	590.10	0.0
Jun	679.67	3.0	676.88	-1.7	697.70	3.0	626.10	4.9	618.07	6.7	724.57	3.7	644.59	3.8	562.75	0.6	592.36	3.0	565.77	6.9	584.93	0.3
Jul	678.57	2.4	682.85	-0.7	703.58	2.7	626.41	3.0	622.90	5.8	716.44	2.3	648.64	4.1	571.59	3.2	588.55	1.2	547.97	3.4	570.13	-2.0
Aug	682.29	2.4	690.10	0.4	714.42	3.1	624.29	2.3	619.65	5.0	717.75	1.9	651.77	4.0	572.91	0.8	593.85	2.5	557.51	4.7	584.40	0.0
Sep	685.60	2.4	696.72	1.4	710.66	2.9	619.16	1.4	612.11	3.3	724.47	1.7	653.16	4.4	578.88	1.7	592.41	2.5	565.17	4.2	594.98	-1.2
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Sep03	661.77		683.96		685.35		601.57		581.75		701.24		620.28		559.40		573.80		538.61		583.02	
Jan-Sep04	680.02		681.36		699.31		629.70		614.88		724.96		640.49		572.01		588.99		559.30		587.36	
% Change	2.8		-0.4		2.0		4.7		5.7		3.4		3.3		2.3		2.6		3.8		0.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
May	18.51	2.9	18.68	-1.6	18.53	3.8	16.77	4.0	16.91	6.7	19.58	3.7	18.00	3.3	15.00	1.5	15.82	1.4	14.66	1.7	15.50	-0.1
Jun	18.42	3.3	18.64	-1.8	18.52	4.0	16.79	4.5	16.85	6.9	19.44	3.9	17.98	4.0	14.85	2.2	15.68	2.8	14.75	5.6	15.17	0.5
Jul	18.24	2.6	18.63	-1.3	18.28	2.3	16.68	3.6	16.68	5.6	19.17	2.8	17.86	4.0	14.96	4.5	15.48	1.1	14.36	3.2	14.67	-1.2
Aug	18.28	2.4	18.79	-0.2	18.52	3.1	16.63	2.6	16.58	5.4	19.13	2.2	17.91	3.6	14.91	2.4	15.47	1.7	14.54	4.5	14.80	-0.3
Sep	18.61	2.1	19.14	0.1	18.78	2.5	16.86	0.9	16.74	3.5	19.51	1.9	18.21	3.5	15.23	3.0	15.82	2.5	14.94	4.0	15.29	-0.6
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Sep03	17.99		19.02		18.04		16.30		15.88		18.84		17.38		14.71		15.36		14.45		15.30	
Jan-Sep04	18.48		18.85		18.42		16.97		16.80		19.49		17.96		15.16		15.77		14.98		15.40	
% Change	2.8		-0.9		2.1		4.2		5.8		3.4		3.3		3.1		2.6		3.7		0.6	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
May	16,117.7	2.0	2,062.2	2.3	1,763.7	2.2	497.4	0.7	581.1	0.7	6,366.9	1.8	3,739.8	2.1	354.6	4.6	454.8	3.2	71.9	0.7	225.3	2.2
Jun	16,376.6	1.9	2,117.1	3.7	1,789.2	1.9	503.0	0.3	586.2	1.1	6,436.7	2.0	3,797.4	1.2	369.2	2.0	463.3	2.6	74.9	-3.1	239.6	0.7
Jul	16,407.3	2.0	2,116.9	3.0	1,772.0	0.9	499.9	-0.1	578.6	-0.1	6,453.1	2.3	3,817.2	1.6	374.1	2.3	466.2	3.3	75.9	0.3	253.4	4.5
Aug	16,337.8	1.8	2,102.2	2.1	1,781.6	1.7	498.5	-0.2	581.0	0.4	6,441.4	1.8	3,779.1	1.9	376.5	4.5	463.0	3.1	76.2	-0.4	238.2	0.7
Sep	16,144.1	2.0	2,094.7	2.8	1,769.5	1.7	493.4	1.1	581.1	2.4	6,334.5	1.4	3,752.2	2.6	367.8	3.9	450.3	2.2	72.8	0.7	227.9	-0.1
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Sep03	15,710.1		2,013.2		1,714.9		487.6		568.7		6,214.1		3,643.5		344.7		435.0		69.1		219.3	
Jan-Sep04	15,989.7		2,061.5		1,751.4		489.4		574.0		6,319.2		3,704.6		352.4		445.1		69.4		222.6	
% Change	1.8		2.4		2.1		0.4		0.9		1.7		1.7		2.2		2.3		0.4		1.5	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May	34.9	1.2	33.4	0.6	36.0	0.6	36.6	-1.6	34.4	-1.4	35.5	2.6	33.9	0.0	35.0	-1.4	35.5	0.6	37.6	1.1	35.0	0.0
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.9	36.1	0.3	36.1	0.0	35.4	1.4	35.3	1.1	33.8	0.0	35.2	-2.2	35.0	-1.7	37.2	-1.8	36.6	0.5
Jul	31.9	1.9	32.2	1.9	34.1	-0.9	32.3	0.3	32.2	0.0	32.0	-1.2	30.2	12.3	32.6	-3.3	32.2	-1.5	33.8	0.9	34.6	3.6
Aug	31.9	4.2	30.7	0.7	33.8	2.1	32.7	-1.5	31.5	-3.4	32.4	7.6	30.5	4.1	32.7	-1.8	31.7	0.6	33.2	-1.5	31.8	-0.6
Sep	34.8	0.6	34.0	2.1	36.5	1.7	35.5	0.6	34.6	-1.4	35.1	0.3	33.8	0.6	35.9	0.3	34.8	-0.6	36.0	-1.9	35.0	-0.3
Oct																						
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Sep03	33.0		32.1		34.8		33.9		33.4		33.2		31.9		34.4		33.1		34.3		33.6	
Jan-Sep04	33.4		32.5		35.1		33.9		33.6		33.8		32.3		34.0		32.3		33.1		33.4	
% Change	1.2		1.3		0.8		0.1		0.6		2.0		1.3		-1.2		-2.5		-3.6		-0.5	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1994									377.6		1,194.9					
	1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
	1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003	Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
	Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
	Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
	Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
	May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
	Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
	Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
	Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
	Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
	Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
	Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
	Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004	Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
	Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
	Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
	Apr	778.88	-5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
	May	762.83	-6.4	648.02	-0.2	19.28	-6.0	18.53	-0.2	435.3	0.9	1,627.0	2.7	37.3	-0.3	32.3	0.6
	Jun	778.62	-6.0	650.04	-0.2	19.25	-6.4	18.48	-0.4	458.1	4.7	1,659.0	3.4	38.7	3.5	32.5	0.3
	Jul	789.55	-1.8	653.70	-0.1	19.56	-3.3	18.37	-0.6	468.9	3.9	1,648.0	2.7	37.0	3.1	30.8	1.3
	Aug	790.20	-2.6	662.98	1.4	19.52	-4.5	18.59	1.1	465.7	4.8	1,636.5	1.3	36.1	1.4	29.2	0.3
	Sep	813.55	-0.1	666.05	1.8	20.22	-1.5	18.86	0.5	451.1	7.0	1,643.6	1.7	38.2	1.3	32.9	2.5
	Oct																
	Nov																
	Dec																
Average:																	
	Jan-Sep03	813.93		650.09		20.50		18.63		424.1		1,589.1		36.4		30.9	
	Jan-Sep04	787.86		654.10		19.75		18.62		435.8		1,625.7		36.9		31.4	
	% Change	-3.2		0.6		-3.7		0.0		2.8		2.3		1.3		1.4	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May	762.83	-6.4	486.07	5.5	983.25	0.8	1007.08	-2.3	766.53	-6.2	736.90	-5.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	517.76	3.4	983.39	5.3	962.76	-10.2	775.31	-7.1	770.34	-3.4
Jul	789.55	-1.8	507.43	5.8	1003.41	6.2	957.32	-11.9	800.31	-0.1	756.87	-2.6
Aug	790.20	-2.6	506.45	2.1	1027.80	8.9	1041.74	-5.0	775.29	-4.8	790.43	-0.2
Sep	813.55	-0.1	486.33	-11.4	1088.48	14.1	1115.25	6.0	800.44	-1.8	806.35	4.9
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Sep03	813.93		472.21		970.10		1059.29		810.24		794.17	
Jan-Sep04	787.86		498.26		1000.87		1034.37		780.70		779.71	
% Change	-3.2		5.5		3.2		-2.4		-3.6		-1.8	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May	648.02	-0.2	744.04	-7.5	504.83	-1.8	744.10	-0.5	847.88	-2.3	787.24	-2.3	749.65	10.0	363.11	5.1	894.57	-1.3	671.73	-1.8
Jun	650.04	-0.2	756.59	-3.1	528.52	1.3	726.45	2.0	782.72	-6.5	818.67	-1.6	720.11	1.0	370.89	2.8	897.12	0.2	676.88	-1.7
Jul	653.70	-0.1	804.58	-1.4	535.44	5.0	720.56	1.6	793.69	-4.0	877.60	1.3	701.47	-3.9	364.79	-3.1	901.28	0.0	682.85	-0.7
Aug	662.98	1.4	823.94	7.0	517.24	0.1	704.29	-3.0	827.29	-1.6	949.16	10.0	715.72	-2.3	366.66	-1.5	899.02	-1.2	690.10	0.4
Sep	666.05	1.8	831.91	3.2	526.53	-2.1	703.31	-2.3	866.90	2.0	860.23	5.7	689.16	-4.4	366.27	10.2	913.52	-0.7	696.72	1.4
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Sep03	650.09		805.00		516.97		731.98		862.84		801.03		705.58		356.92		903.55		683.96	
Jan-Sep04	654.10		770.86		518.39		733.58		824.09		826.07		731.65		362.40		903.62		681.36	
% Change	0.6		-4.2		0.3		0.2		-4.5		3.1		3.7		1.5		0.0		-0.4	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May	19.28	-6.0	11.96	3.5	24.29	3.6	26.22	-3.0	19.33	-6.4	18.86	-4.6
Jun	19.25	-6.4	12.25	-2.5	23.27	5.9	24.30	-13.8	19.37	-7.1	19.06	-3.9
Jul	19.56	-3.3	11.86	-0.9	23.74	5.4	24.43	-14.9	19.86	-2.1	19.22	-2.5
Aug	19.52	-4.5	11.97	-4.6	23.10	3.1	25.16	-14.5	19.58	-5.0	19.65	-2.1
Sep	20.22	-1.5	12.46	-9.4	24.23	3.6	26.31	-7.9	20.40	0.0	19.97	1.0
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Sep03	20.50		12.42		23.23		27.91		20.46		20.12	
Jan-Sep04	19.75		12.60		23.67		26.42		19.74		19.60	
% Change	-3.7		1.5		1.9		-5.3		-3.5		-2.6	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
May	18.53	-0.2	19.56	-3.5	14.54	-2.1	19.92	0.2	22.78	-0.2	24.19	-0.3	22.20	3.3	11.56	2.9	24.44	2.7	18.68	-1.6
Jun	18.48	-0.4	19.77	-2.3	14.98	1.6	19.83	1.7	21.01	-6.2	24.72	-0.3	21.54	-1.0	11.72	5.2	24.64	3.5	18.64	-1.8
Jul	18.37	-0.6	20.04	-3.0	14.96	3.2	19.41	-1.4	20.97	-3.9	25.13	-0.6	21.28	-4.6	11.60	2.4	24.49	2.3	18.63	-1.3
Aug	18.59	1.1	20.08	3.4	14.59	0.2	19.35	-1.9	21.97	0.5	26.92	9.3	21.72	-3.6	11.55	2.9	24.52	-0.1	18.79	-0.2
Sep	18.86	0.5	20.66	2.3	14.79	-2.2	19.36	-0.2	22.33	2.3	25.64	2.0	21.41	-5.6	11.79	7.3	25.03	0.7	19.14	0.1
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Sep03	18.63		20.46		14.81		19.93		22.85		24.50		21.86		11.33		24.15		19.02	
Jan-Sep04	18.62		19.66		14.87		19.96		21.78		24.78		21.99		11.63		24.63		18.85	
% Change	0.0		-3.9		0.4		0.2		-4.7		1.2		0.6		2.6		2.0		-0.9	

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	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing: Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied		Construction	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
May	435.3	0.9	40.5	14.7	20.8	-25.2	3.8	58.3	11.4	-38.4	204.5	-3.9	29.1	-9.1	44.3	-16.1	14.5	2.1	142.2	18.6
Jun	458.1	4.7	41.9	17.0	25.7	-14.3	3.7	-28.8	10.9	-29.2	205.3	-1.9	29.4	-2.6	44.7	-13.4	14.3	-13.3	158.9	24.1
Jul	468.9	3.9	43.5	14.8	29.6	-12.4	2.7	-43.8	10.8	-31.6	212.2	-0.6	25.3	-20.4	49.6	-5.5	13.1	-14.9	159.8	20.8
Aug	465.7	4.8	42.0	2.7	25.3	-13.4	4.0	-40.3	11.0	4.8	207.1	-2.5	29.4	-18.6	42.5	-5.6	11.9	-16.8	164.7	25.7
Sep	451.1	7.0	35.2	0.3	23.0	-23.6	2.4	-52.9	11.4	-15.6	202.7	-1.4	27.6	-18.6	41.4	-0.7	9.3	-21.8	167.4	40.0
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Sep03	424.1		34.8		29.3		4.6		13.7		207.5		30.8		48.8		15.2		120.5	
Jan-Sep04	435.8		37.1		22.7		3.4		10.8		203.6		30.0		46.3		11.5		147.6	
% Change	2.8		6.5		-22.5		-25.6		-21.3		-1.9		-2.6		-5.2		-24.4		22.5	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
May	1,627.0	2.7	119.0	1.0	302.2	-3.7	136.3	13.8	973.3	2.7	136.7	-7.9	221.8	5.2	175.3	10.0	96.1	13.5	2,062.2	2.3
Jun	1,659.0	3.4	125.0	10.9	307.3	-3.0	133.1	9.1	996.3	3.6	135.2	-7.3	227.9	6.3	183.7	11.2	97.4	6.7	2,117.1	3.7
Jul	1,648.0	2.7	127.8	15.1	318.1	-3.0	128.3	5.4	971.7	2.5	113.0	-6.4	226.0	6.2	184.0	8.7	102.3	6.3	2,116.9	3.0
Aug	1,636.5	1.3	119.4	2.2	304.7	-5.4	140.7	14.1	970.7	1.3	112.5	-8.0	221.3	5.5	185.1	4.8	101.0	6.9	2,102.2	2.1
Sep	1,643.6	1.7	117.0	5.1	307.5	-5.3	134.3	7.7	987.4	2.9	144.9	3.8	228.6	10.7	176.2	4.1	97.2	2.3	2,094.7	2.8
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Sep03	1,589.1		114.2		318.8		124.9		942.5		145.2		211.1		163.7		88.6		2,013.2	
Jan-Sep04	1,625.7		117.9		308.6		132.3		969.1		134.9		221.9		178.7		97.8		2,061.5	
% Change	2.3		3.2		-3.2		5.9		2.8		-7.1		5.1		9.2		10.4		2.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
May	37.3	-0.3	39.8	-0.5	38.2	4.9	35.8	-0.3	36.7	-1.9	37.4	0.3
Jun	38.7	3.5	41.1	-4.0	41.2	3.3	31.3	-16.8	37.5	1.4	39.6	11.9
Jul	37.0	3.1	36.4	-7.4	41.1	13.9	32.8	-2.4	36.2	2.8	37.5	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.4	39.4	-7.9	41.2	5.6	31.4	0.0	34.9	1.7	35.8	2.9
Sep	38.2	1.3	37.4	-12.0	40.6	0.7	38.2	17.2	37.9	1.1	38.3	6.4
Oct												
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Sep03	36.4		37.7		38.4		34.9		36.3		35.3	
Jan-Sep04	36.9		36.6		39.2		32.9		36.6		37.0	
% Change	1.3		-2.9		2.0		-5.7		0.6		4.7	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Public Administration	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May	32.3	0.6	38.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	36.9	2.2	30.3	-3.5	31.0	11.1	28.7	-5.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.5	0.3	39.1	10.8	32.1	0.6	32.9	0.0	35.6	2.9	30.1	-6.5	29.9	-0.3	30.3	-3.8	33.6	-5.4	33.8	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.8	2.7	32.0	2.2	33.1	4.4	34.6	-0.6	15.5	-11.4	27.8	0.7	29.9	-6.3	32.4	-0.9	32.2	1.9
Aug	29.2	0.3	35.2	-1.9	30.9	0.3	30.9	3.0	32.9	3.1	15.6	4.7	26.7	6.4	28.6	-6.5	30.6	12.1	30.7	0.7
Sep	32.9	2.5	37.8	-0.5	32.4	0.6	33.7	7.0	38.1	2.1	32.5	6.9	29.4	0.0	30.3	4.5	33.1	1.2	34.0	2.1
Oct																				
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Sep03	30.9		35.8		30.9		32.5		34.5		26.7		28.0		29.6		33.2		32.1	
Jan-Sep04	31.4		36.7		31.3		32.7		35.9		25.6		29.1		29.1		32.7		32.5	
% Change	1.4		2.4		1.3		0.5		4.1		-4.2		3.7		-1.8		-1.7		1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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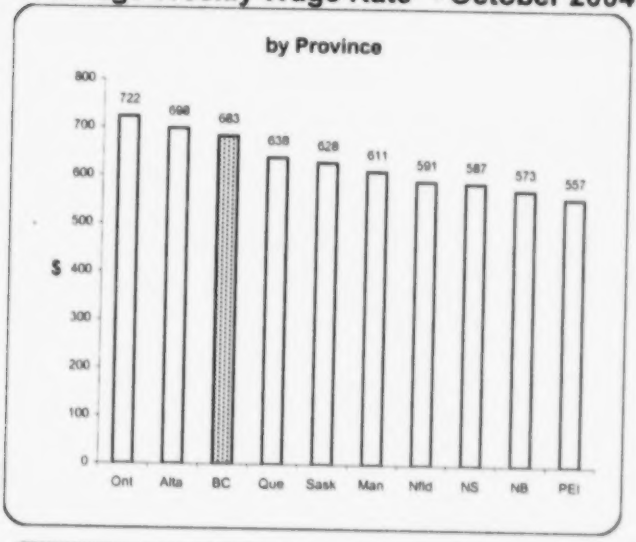
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - October 2004

by Province



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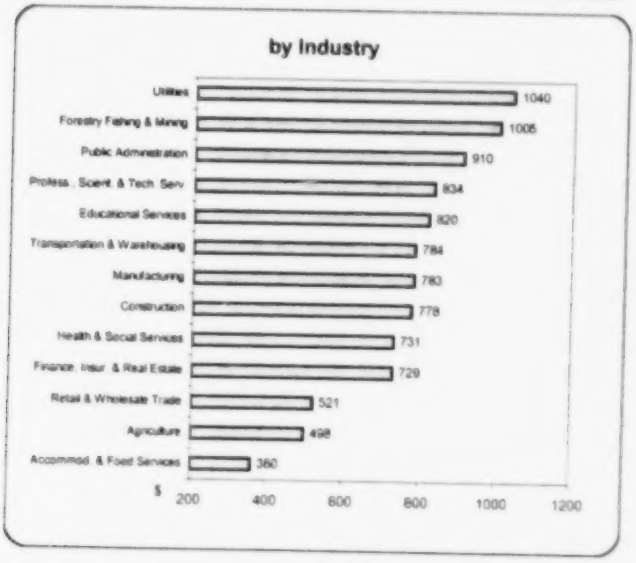
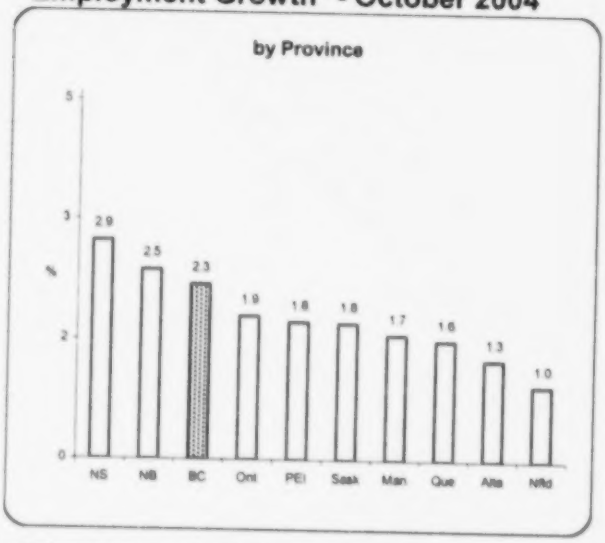


** Latest 12 month average*

Employment Growth* - October 2004

by Province



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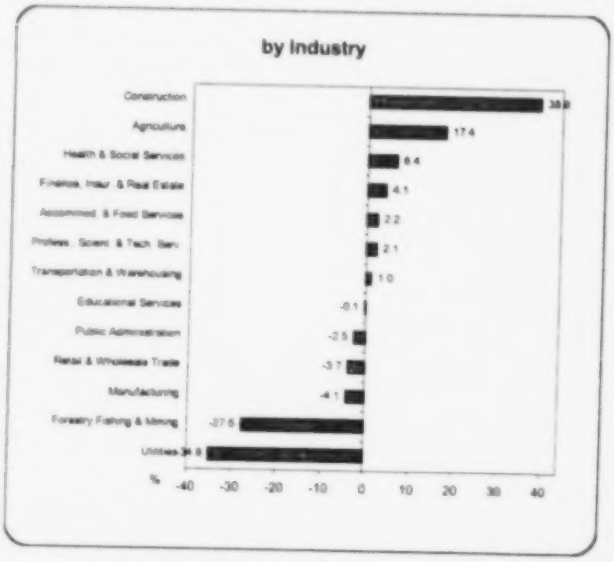

** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
	Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
	Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
	Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.4	1.6	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.6
	May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.8	2.6	3.6	-4.2	0.2	0.5	2.4	2.1	0.9	7.8	7.2	5.6
	Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.7	3.0	0.6	-4.4	0.5	-2.6	3.5	1.9	1.0	7.5	7.3	5.6
	Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.4	2.6	-3.0	0.1	-0.4	3.0	2.0	1.5	7.3	7.2	5.5
	Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.4	3.3	-1.6	0.5	0.6	1.9	2.0	1.4	7.7	7.2	5.4
	Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.4	2.4	2.0	-0.5	0.6	-0.5	2.7	2.0	1.3	7.1	7.1	5.4
	Oct				3.1	2.5	3.0				2.0	1.8	1.2	6.9	7.1	5.5
	Nov															
	Dec															

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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
May	680.24	2.6	671.73	-1.8	700.78	3.2	622.35	4.1	618.72	6.9	728.35	3.5	640.49	2.9	565.54	1.0	594.76	1.4	560.61	3.3	590.10	0.0
Jun	679.67	3.0	676.88	-1.7	697.70	3.0	626.10	4.9	618.07	6.7	724.57	3.7	644.59	3.8	562.75	0.6	592.36	3.0	565.77	6.9	584.93	0.3
Jul	678.57	2.4	682.85	-0.7	703.58	2.7	626.41	3.0	622.90	5.8	716.44	2.3	648.64	4.1	571.59	3.2	588.55	1.2	547.97	3.4	570.13	-2.0
Aug	682.29	2.4	690.10	0.4	714.42	3.1	624.29	2.3	619.65	5.0	717.75	1.9	651.77	4.0	572.91	0.8	593.85	2.5	557.51	4.7	584.40	0.0
Sep	685.60	2.4	696.72	1.4	710.66	2.9	619.16	1.4	612.11	3.3	724.47	1.7	653.16	4.4	578.88	1.7	592.41	2.5	565.17	4.2	594.98	-1.2
Oct	685.08	2.5	704.14	3.1	715.92	3.1	621.32	0.3	613.04	2.7	718.90	1.2	651.37	4.4	589.33	4.6	589.65	2.3	571.31	6.0	600.91	-0.3
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Oct03	662.46		683.87		686.26		603.36		583.28		702.17		620.63		559.79		574.05		538.67		585.00	
Jan-Oct04	680.53		683.64		700.97		628.86		614.70		724.35		641.58		573.74		589.06		560.50		588.71	
% Change	2.7		0.0		2.1		4.2		5.4		3.2		3.4		2.5		2.6		4.1		0.6	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3 2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
May	18.51	2.9	18.68	-1.6	18.53	3.8	16.77	4.0	16.91	6.7	19.58	3.7	18.00	3.3	15.00	1.5	15.82	1.4	14.66	1.7	15.50	-0.1
Jun	18.42	3.3	18.64	-1.8	18.52	4.0	16.79	4.5	16.85	6.9	19.44	3.9	17.98	4.0	14.85	2.2	15.68	2.8	14.75	5.6	15.17	0.5
Jul	18.24	2.6	18.63	-1.3	18.28	2.3	16.68	3.6	16.68	5.6	19.17	2.8	17.86	4.0	14.96	4.5	15.48	1.1	14.36	3.2	14.67	-1.2
Aug	18.28	2.4	18.79	-0.2	18.52	3.1	16.63	2.6	16.58	5.4	19.13	2.2	17.91	3.6	14.91	2.4	15.47	1.7	14.54	4.5	14.80	-0.3
Sep	18.61	2.1	19.14	0.1	18.78	2.5	16.86	0.9	16.74	3.5	19.51	1.9	18.21	3.5	15.23	3.0	15.82	2.5	14.94	4.0	15.29	-0.6
Oct	18.65	2.1	19.32	1.3	18.93	2.5	16.91	1.0	16.76	3.4	19.45	1.7	18.23	2.9	15.46	4.2	15.76	1.7	15.09	4.4	15.51	-1.1
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Oct03	18.02		19.03		18.08		16.34		15.92		18.87		17.41		14.72		15.37		14.45		15.34	
Jan-Oct04	18.50		18.90		18.47		16.97		16.80		19.49		17.99		15.19		15.77		14.99		15.41	
% Change	2.7		-0.7		2.1		3.8		5.5		3.2		3.3		3.2		2.5		3.8		0.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
May	16,117.7	2.0	2,062.2	2.3	1,763.7	2.2	497.4	0.7	581.1	0.7	6,366.9	1.8	3,739.8	2.1	354.6	4.6	454.8	3.2	71.9	0.7	225.3	2.2
Jun	16,376.6	1.9	2,117.1	3.7	1,789.2	1.9	503.0	0.3	586.2	1.1	6,436.7	2.0	3,797.4	1.2	369.2	2.0	463.3	2.6	74.9	-3.1	239.6	0.7
Jul	16,407.3	2.0	2,116.9	3.0	1,772.0	0.9	499.9	-0.1	578.6	-0.1	6,453.1	2.3	3,817.2	1.6	374.1	2.3	466.2	3.3	75.9	0.3	253.4	4.5
Aug	16,337.8	1.8	2,102.2	2.1	1,781.6	1.7	498.5	-0.2	581.0	0.4	6,441.4	1.8	3,779.1	1.9	376.5	4.5	463.0	3.1	76.2	-0.4	238.2	0.7
Sep	16,144.1	2.0	2,094.7	2.8	1,769.5	1.7	493.4	1.1	581.1	2.4	6,334.5	1.4	3,752.2	2.6	367.8	3.9	450.3	2.2	72.8	0.7	227.9	-0.1
Oct	16,165.0	1.9	2,106.0	2.3	1,760.2	1.3	495.5	1.8	581.2	1.7	6,389.1	1.9	3,730.8	1.6	359.8	2.5	450.0	2.9	71.7	1.8	220.7	1.0
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Oct03	15,726.1		2,017.7		1,717.1		487.5		569.0		6,219.5		3,646.3		345.3		435.2		69.3		219.3	
Jan-Oct04	16,007.2		2,066.0		1,752.3		490.0		574.7		6,326.2		3,707.2		353.1		445.6		69.6		222.4	
% Change	1.8		2.4		2.1		0.5		1.0		1.7		1.7		2.3		2.4		0.5		1.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May	34.9	1.2	33.4	0.6	36.0	0.6	36.6	-1.6	34.4	-1.4	35.5	2.6	33.9	0.0	35.0	-1.4	35.5	0.6	37.6	1.1	35.0	0.0
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.9	36.1	0.3	36.1	0.0	35.4	1.4	35.3	1.1	33.8	0.0	35.2	-2.2	35.0	-1.7	37.2	-1.8	36.6	0.5
Jul	31.9	1.9	32.2	1.9	34.1	-0.9	32.3	0.3	32.2	0.0	32.0	-1.2	30.2	12.3	32.6	-3.3	32.2	-1.5	33.8	0.9	34.6	3.6
Aug	31.9	4.2	30.7	0.7	33.8	2.1	32.7	-1.5	31.5	-3.4	32.4	7.6	30.5	4.1	32.7	-1.8	31.7	0.6	33.2	-1.5	31.8	-0.6
Sep	34.8	0.6	34.0	2.1	36.5	1.7	35.5	0.6	34.6	-1.4	35.1	0.3	33.8	0.6	35.9	0.3	34.8	-0.6	36.0	-1.9	35.0	-0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.3	1.7	32.9	0.9	32.4	0.6	31.3	-1.9	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.2	-0.3	30.8	-0.6	31.3	-2.8	32.5	3.2
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Oct03	32.8		31.9		34.6		33.7		33.3		32.9		31.7		34.2		32.9		34.1		33.4	
Jan-Oct04	33.1		32.3		34.9		33.8		33.4		33.5		32.0		33.8		32.1		32.9		33.3	
% Change	1.1		1.3		0.8		0.1		0.4		1.8		1.1		-1.1		-2.3		-3.5		-0.1	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1994									377.6		1,194.9					
	1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
	1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003	Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
	Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
	Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
	Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
	May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
	Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
	Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
	Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
	Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
	Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
	Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
	Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004	Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
	Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
	Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
	Apr	778.88	-5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
	May	762.83	-6.4	648.02	-0.2	19.28	-6.0	18.53	-0.2	435.3	0.9	1,627.0	2.7	37.3	-0.3	32.3	0.6
	Jun	778.62	-6.0	650.04	-0.2	19.25	-6.4	18.48	-0.4	458.1	4.7	1,659.0	3.4	38.7	3.5	32.5	0.3
	Jul	789.55	-1.8	653.70	-0.1	19.56	-3.3	18.37	-0.6	468.9	3.9	1,648.0	2.7	37.0	3.1	30.8	1.3
	Aug	790.20	-2.6	662.98	1.4	19.52	-4.5	18.59	1.1	465.7	4.8	1,636.5	1.3	36.1	1.4	29.2	0.3
	Sep	813.55	-0.1	666.05	1.8	20.22	-1.5	18.86	0.5	451.1	7.0	1,643.6	1.7	38.2	1.3	32.9	2.5
	Oct	813.59	2.0	674.76	3.3	20.38	0.4	19.04	1.4	461.6	6.4	1,644.4	1.3	33.4	4.0	29.4	1.0
	Nov																
	Dec																
Average:																	
Jan-Oct03		812.27		650.42		20.48		18.64		425.1		1,592.6		36.0		30.8	
Jan-Oct04		790.43		656.16		19.82		18.66		438.4		1,627.6		36.5		31.2	
% Change		-2.7		0.9		-3.3		0.1		3.1		2.2		1.6		1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May	762.83	-6.4	486.07	5.5	983.25	0.8	1007.08	-2.3	766.53	-6.2	736.90	-5.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	517.76	3.4	983.39	5.3	962.76	-10.2	775.31	-7.1	770.34	-3.4
Jul	789.55	-1.8	507.43	5.8	1003.41	6.2	957.32	-11.9	800.31	-0.1	756.87	-2.6
Aug	790.20	-2.6	506.45	2.1	1027.80	8.9	1041.74	-5.0	775.29	-4.8	790.43	-0.2
Sep	813.55	-0.1	486.33	-11.4	1088.48	14.1	1115.25	6.0	800.44	-1.8	806.35	4.9
Oct	813.59	2.0	463.57	-2.1	1121.84	15.5	933.24	-14.5	814.66	2.2	798.07	10.3
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Oct03	812.27		472.34		970.22		1062.53		808.96		787.13	
Jan-Oct04	790.43		494.79		1012.97		1024.26		784.10		781.55	
% Change	-2.7		4.8		4.4		-3.6		-3.1		-0.7	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May	648.02	-0.2	744.04	-7.5	504.83	-1.8	744.10	-0.5	847.88	-2.3	787.24	-2.3	749.65	10.0	363.11	5.1	894.57	-1.3	671.73	-1.8
Jun	650.04	-0.2	756.59	-3.1	528.52	1.3	726.45	2.0	782.72	-6.5	818.67	-1.6	720.11	1.0	370.89	2.8	897.12	0.2	676.88	-1.7
Jul	653.70	-0.1	804.58	-1.4	535.44	5.0	720.56	1.6	793.69	-4.0	877.60	1.3	701.47	-3.9	364.79	-3.1	901.28	0.0	682.85	-0.7
Aug	662.98	1.4	823.94	7.0	517.24	0.1	704.29	-3.0	827.29	-1.6	949.16	10.0	715.72	-2.3	366.66	-1.5	899.02	-1.2	690.10	0.4
Sep	666.05	1.8	831.91	3.2	526.53	-2.1	703.31	-2.3	866.90	2.0	860.23	5.7	689.16	-4.4	366.27	10.2	913.52	-0.7	696.72	1.4
Oct	674.76	3.3	880.06	11.4	529.15	-0.9	687.95	-2.3	898.15	9.4	835.62	5.1	735.34	-0.1	362.61	10.2	942.42	2.6	704.14	3.1
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Oct03	650.42		803.52		518.66		729.19		858.62		800.46		708.65		354.12		905.08		683.87	
Jan-Oct04	656.16		781.78		519.47		729.02		831.50		827.03		732.02		362.43		907.50		683.64	
% Change	0.9		-2.7		0.2		0.0		-3.2		3.3		3.3		2.3		0.3		0.0	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May	19.28	-6.0	11.96	3.5	24.29	3.6	26.22	-3.0	19.33	-6.4	18.86	-4.6
Jun	19.25	-6.4	12.25	-2.5	23.27	5.9	24.30	-13.8	19.37	-7.1	19.06	-3.9
Jul	19.56	-3.3	11.86	-0.9	23.74	5.4	24.43	-14.9	19.86	-2.1	19.22	-2.5
Aug	19.52	-4.5	11.97	-4.6	23.10	3.1	25.16	-14.5	19.58	-5.0	19.65	-2.1
Sep	20.22	-1.5	12.46	-9.4	24.23	3.6	26.31	-7.9	20.40	0.0	19.97	1.0
Oct	20.38	0.4	12.31	-10.9	25.51	9.2	24.29	-13.7	20.56	1.9	20.17	6.3
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Oct03	20.48		12.56		23.24		27.94		20.43		20.00	
Jan-Oct04	19.82		12.57		23.85		26.21		19.82		19.65	
% Change	-3.3		0.1		2.6		-6.2		-3.0		-1.7	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																		
1995																		
1996																		
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
May	18.53	-0.2	19.56	-3.5	14.54	-2.1	19.92	0.2	22.78	-0.2	24.19	-0.3	22.20	3.3	11.56	2.9	24.44	2.7	18.68	-1.6
Jun	18.48	-0.4	19.77	-2.3	14.98	1.6	19.83	1.7	21.01	-6.2	24.72	-0.3	21.54	-1.0	11.72	5.2	24.64	3.5	18.64	-1.8
Jul	18.37	-0.6	20.04	-3.0	14.96	3.2	19.41	-1.4	20.97	-3.9	25.13	-0.6	21.28	-4.6	11.60	2.4	24.49	2.3	18.63	-1.3
Aug	18.59	1.1	20.08	3.4	14.59	0.2	19.35	-1.9	21.97	0.5	26.92	9.3	21.72	-3.6	11.55	2.9	24.52	-0.1	18.79	-0.2
Sep	18.86	0.5	20.66	2.3	14.79	-2.2	19.36	-0.2	22.33	2.3	25.64	2.0	21.41	-5.6	11.79	7.3	25.03	0.7	19.14	0.1
Oct	19.04	1.4	21.33	6.4	15.08	0.1	19.12	-1.5	22.72	6.0	25.68	5.2	21.85	-3.0	11.62	6.6	25.47	1.6	19.32	1.3
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Oct03	18.64		20.42		14.84		19.87		22.71		24.49		21.92		11.29		24.25		19.03	
Jan-Oct04	18.66		19.83		14.89		19.87		21.87		24.87		21.98		11.63		24.71		18.90	
% Change	0.1		-2.9		0.4		0.0		-3.7		1.6		0.3		3.0		1.9		-0.7	

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3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
May	435.3	0.9	40.5	14.7	20.8	-25.2	3.8	58.3	11.4	-38.4	204.5	-3.9	29.1	-9.1	44.3	-16.1	14.5	2.1	142.2	18.6
Jun	458.1	4.7	41.9	17.0	25.7	-14.3	3.7	-28.8	10.9	-29.2	205.3	-1.9	29.4	-2.6	44.7	-13.4	14.3	-13.3	158.9	24.1
Jul	468.9	3.9	43.5	14.8	29.6	-12.4	2.7	-43.8	10.8	-31.6	212.2	-0.6	25.3	-20.4	49.6	-5.5	13.1	-14.9	159.8	20.8
Aug	465.7	4.8	42.0	2.7	25.3	-13.4	4.0	-40.3	11.0	4.8	207.1	-2.5	29.4	-18.6	42.5	-5.6	11.9	-16.8	164.7	25.7
Sep	451.1	7.0	35.2	0.3	23.0	-23.6	2.4	-52.9	11.4	-15.6	202.7	-1.4	27.6	-18.6	41.4	-0.7	9.3	-21.8	167.4	40.0
Oct	461.6	6.4	39.1	17.4	22.3	-25.2	2.1	-68.7	12.9	-12.2	200.5	-4.1	31.7	-12.9	39.6	-19.8	11.4	-13.6	176.0	38.9
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Oct03	425.1		34.7		29.4		4.8		13.8		207.7		31.4		48.9		15.0		121.1	
Jan-Oct04	438.4		37.3		22.7		3.3		11.0		203.3		30.2		45.6		11.5		150.4	
% Change	3.1		7.6		-22.7		-31.7		-20.3		-2.1		-3.8		-6.6		-23.5		24.2	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
May	1,627.0	2.7	119.0	1.0	302.2	-3.7	136.3	13.8	973.3	2.7	136.7	-7.9	221.8	5.2	175.3	10.0	96.1	13.5	2,062.2	2.3
Jun	1,659.0	3.4	125.0	10.9	307.3	-3.0	133.1	9.1	996.3	3.6	135.2	-7.3	227.9	6.3	183.7	11.2	97.4	6.7	2,117.1	3.7
Jul	1,648.0	2.7	127.8	15.1	318.1	-3.0	128.3	5.4	971.7	2.5	113.0	-6.4	226.0	6.2	184.0	8.7	102.3	6.3	2,116.9	3.0
Aug	1,636.5	1.3	119.4	2.2	304.7	-5.4	140.7	14.1	970.7	1.3	112.5	-8.0	221.3	5.5	185.1	4.8	101.0	6.9	2,102.2	2.1
Sep	1,643.6	1.7	117.0	5.1	307.5	-5.3	134.3	7.7	987.4	2.9	144.9	3.8	228.6	10.7	176.2	4.1	97.2	2.3	2,094.7	2.8
Oct	1,644.4	1.3	116.0	1.0	305.7	-3.7	135.9	4.1	987.5	3.0	144.4	-0.1	222.9	6.4	173.0	2.2	99.2	-2.5	2,106.0	2.3
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Oct03	1,592.6		114.3		318.7		125.5		944.2		145.2		210.9		164.2		89.9		2,017.7	
Jan-Oct04	1,627.6		117.7		308.3		132.6		971.0		135.8		222.0		178.1		97.9		2,066.0	
% Change	2.2		3.0		-3.3		5.7		2.8		-6.4		5.3		8.4		8.9		2.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
May	37.3	-0.3	39.8	-0.5	38.2	4.9	35.8	-0.3	36.7	-1.9	37.4	0.3
Jun	38.7	3.5	41.1	-4.0	41.2	3.3	31.3	-16.8	37.5	1.4	39.6	11.9
Jul	37.0	3.1	36.4	-7.4	41.1	13.9	32.8	-2.4	36.2	2.8	37.5	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.4	39.4	-7.9	41.2	5.6	31.4	0.0	34.9	1.7	35.8	2.9
Sep	38.2	1.3	37.4	-12.0	40.6	0.7	38.2	17.2	37.9	1.1	38.3	6.4
Oct	33.4	4.0	41.0	24.2	37.8	11.2	26.7	-7.0	32.5	0.6	32.2	3.2
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Oct03	36.0		37.2		38.0		34.3		35.9		34.9	
Jan-Oct04	36.5		37.0		39.1		32.3		36.2		36.5	
% Change	1.6		-0.5		2.8		-5.8		0.6		4.6	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.5B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May	32.3	0.6	38.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	36.9	2.2	30.3	-3.5	31.0	11.1	28.7	-5.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.5	0.3	39.1	10.8	32.1	0.6	32.9	0.0	35.6	2.9	30.1	-6.5	29.9	-0.3	30.3	-3.8	33.6	-5.4	33.8	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.8	2.7	32.0	2.2	33.1	4.4	34.6	-0.6	15.5	-11.4	27.8	0.7	29.9	-6.3	32.4	-0.9	32.2	1.9
Aug	29.2	0.3	35.2	-1.9	30.9	0.3	30.9	3.0	32.9	3.1	15.6	4.7	26.7	6.4	28.6	-6.5	30.6	12.1	30.7	0.7
Sep	32.9	2.5	37.8	-0.5	32.4	0.6	33.7	7.0	38.1	2.1	32.5	6.9	29.4	0.0	30.3	4.5	33.1	1.2	34.0	2.1
Oct	29.4	1.0	34.2	0.6	28.8	-3.4	30.1	2.0	31.3	-0.3	27.3	-5.5	27.3	0.4	29.0	6.6	28.7	0.0	30.3	1.7
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Oct03	30.8		35.6		30.8		32.2		34.2		27.0		28.0		29.4		32.8		31.9	
Jan-Oct04	31.2		36.4		31.1		32.4		35.4		25.8		28.9		29.1		32.3		32.3	
% Change	1.3		2.2		0.8		0.6		3.7		-4.3		3.4		-1.1		-1.6		1.3	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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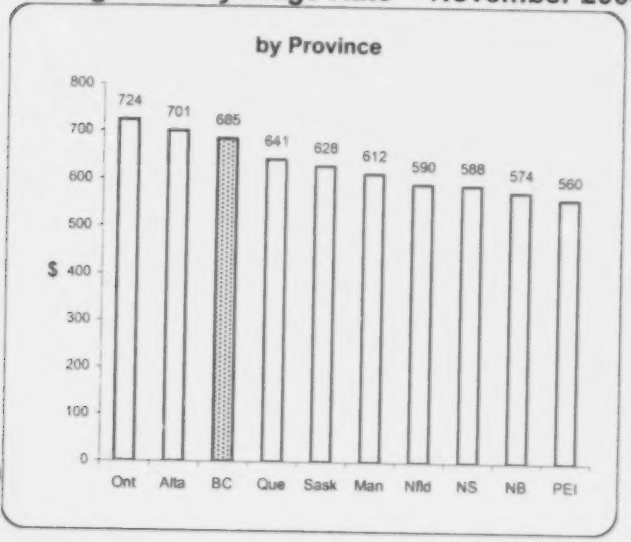
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - November 2004

by Province



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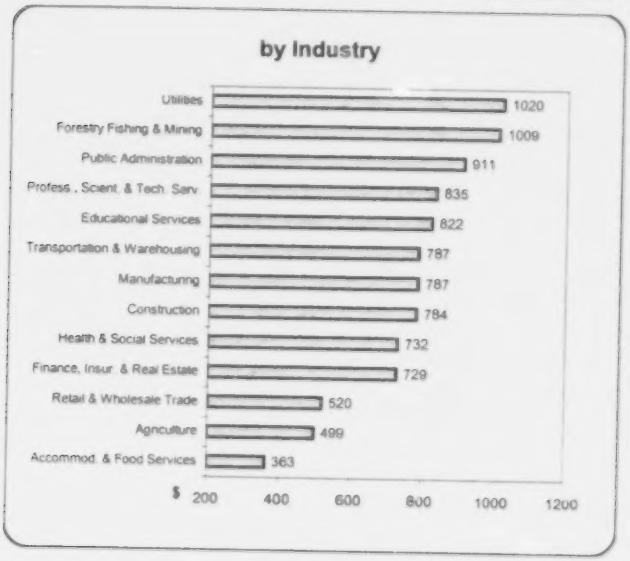
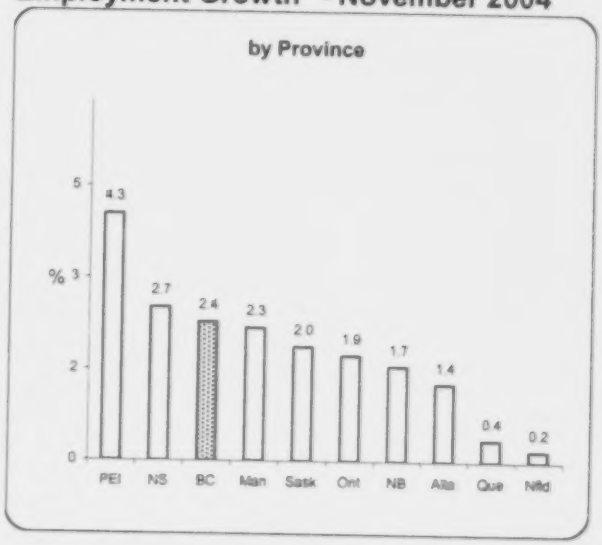


** Latest 12 month average*

Employment Growth* - November 2004

by Province



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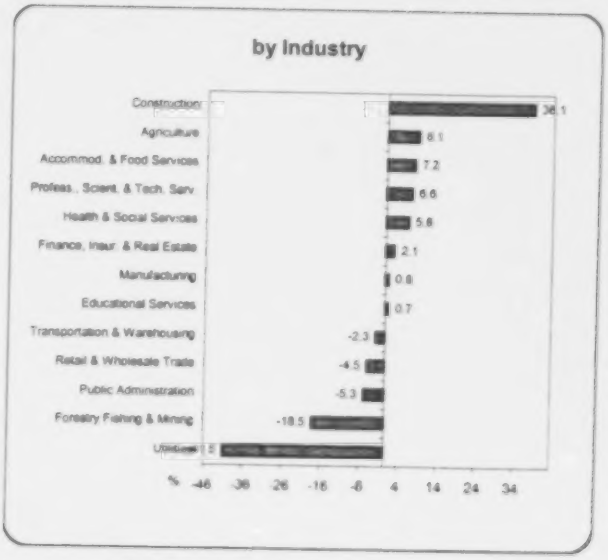

** Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)*

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1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.5	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.6
	Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
	Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
	Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.4	1.6	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.6
	May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.8	2.6	3.6	-4.2	0.2	0.5	2.4	2.1	0.9	7.8	7.2	5.6
	Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.7	3.0	0.6	-4.4	0.5	-2.6	3.5	1.9	1.0	7.5	7.3	5.6
	Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.4	2.6	-3.0	0.1	-0.4	3.0	2.0	1.5	7.3	7.2	5.5
	Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.4	3.3	-1.6	0.5	0.6	1.9	2.0	1.4	7.7	7.2	5.4
	Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.4	2.4	2.0	-0.5	0.6	-0.5	2.7	2.0	1.3	7.1	7.1	5.4
	Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.1	2.5	3.0	0.7	0.2	-0.2	2.0	1.8	1.2	6.9	7.1	5.5
	Nov				2.7	2.9	1.3				2.0	1.5	1.2	6.4	7.3	5.4
	Dec															

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Sources: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey & United States Bureau of Labour Statistics

2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
May	680.24	2.6	671.73	-1.8	700.78	3.2	622.35	4.1	618.72	6.9	728.35	3.5	640.49	2.9	565.54	1.0	594.76	1.4	560.61	3.3	590.10	0.0
Jun	679.67	3.0	676.88	-1.7	697.70	3.0	626.10	4.9	618.07	6.7	724.57	3.7	644.59	3.8	562.75	0.6	592.36	3.0	565.77	6.9	584.93	0.3
Jul	678.57	2.4	682.85	-0.7	703.58	2.7	626.41	3.0	622.90	5.8	716.44	2.3	648.64	4.1	571.59	3.2	588.55	1.2	547.97	3.4	570.13	-2.0
Aug	682.29	2.4	690.10	0.4	714.42	3.1	624.29	2.3	619.65	5.0	717.75	1.9	651.77	4.0	572.91	0.8	593.85	2.5	557.51	4.7	584.40	0.0
Sep	685.60	2.4	696.72	1.4	710.66	2.9	619.16	1.4	612.11	3.3	724.47	1.7	653.16	4.4	578.88	1.7	592.41	2.5	565.17	4.2	594.98	-1.2
Oct	685.08	2.5	704.14	3.1	715.92	3.1	621.32	0.3	613.04	2.7	718.90	1.2	651.37	4.4	589.33	4.6	589.65	2.3	571.31	6.0	600.91	-0.3
Nov	687.28	2.9	701.27	2.7	714.74	4.2	620.45	-1.0	604.85	2.1	724.03	1.8	655.13	5.5	587.23	2.4	587.01	1.7	573.99	5.9	602.03	-0.9
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Nov03	662.95		683.78		686.22		605.50		584.12		703.01		620.68		561.04		574.32		538.98		587.06	
Jan-Nov04	681.14		685.24		702.22		628.10		613.80		724.32		642.81		574.97		588.87		561.73		589.92	
% Change	2.7		0.2		2.3		3.7		5.1		3.0		3.6		2.5		2.5		4.2		0.5	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
May	18.51	2.9	18.68	-1.6	18.53	3.8	16.77	4.0	16.91	6.7	19.58	3.7	18.00	3.3	15.00	1.5	15.82	1.4	14.66	1.7	15.50	-0.1
Jun	18.42	3.3	18.64	-1.8	18.52	4.0	16.79	4.5	16.85	6.9	19.44	3.9	17.98	4.0	14.85	2.2	15.68	2.8	14.75	5.6	15.17	0.5
Jul	18.24	2.6	18.63	-1.3	18.28	2.3	16.68	3.6	16.68	5.6	19.17	2.8	17.86	4.0	14.96	4.5	15.48	1.1	14.36	3.2	14.67	-1.2
Aug	18.28	2.4	18.79	-0.2	18.52	3.1	16.63	2.6	16.58	5.4	19.13	2.2	17.91	3.6	14.91	2.4	15.47	1.7	14.54	4.5	14.80	-0.3
Sep	18.61	2.1	19.14	0.1	18.78	2.5	16.86	0.9	16.74	3.5	19.51	1.9	18.21	3.5	15.23	3.0	15.82	2.5	14.94	4.0	15.29	-0.6
Oct	18.65	2.1	19.32	1.3	18.93	2.5	16.91	1.0	16.76	3.4	19.45	1.7	18.23	2.9	15.46	4.2	15.76	1.7	15.09	4.4	15.51	-1.1
Nov	18.74	2.6	19.44	2.1	18.96	3.7	16.85	-1.2	16.66	2.5	19.54	2.0	18.38	4.2	15.51	2.4	15.83	1.0	15.56	4.8	15.74	-1.1
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Nov03	18.04		19.03		18.10		16.41		15.95		18.90		17.43		14.76		15.40		14.48		15.40	
Jan-Nov04	18.52		18.95		18.51		16.96		16.78		19.49		18.02		15.22		15.77		15.04		15.44	
% Change	2.7		-0.4		2.3		3.3		5.2		3.1		3.4		3.1		2.4		3.9		0.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
May	16,117.7	2.0	2,062.2	2.3	1,763.7	2.2	497.4	0.7	581.1	0.7	6,366.9	1.8	3,739.8	2.1	354.6	4.6	454.8	3.2	71.9	0.7	225.3	2.2
Jun	16,376.6	1.9	2,117.1	3.7	1,789.2	1.9	503.0	0.3	586.2	1.1	6,436.7	2.0	3,797.4	1.2	369.2	2.0	463.3	2.6	74.9	-3.1	239.6	0.7
Jul	16,407.3	2.0	2,116.9	3.0	1,772.0	0.9	499.9	-0.1	578.6	-0.1	6,453.1	2.3	3,817.2	1.6	374.1	2.3	466.2	3.3	75.9	0.3	253.4	4.5
Aug	16,337.8	1.8	2,102.2	2.1	1,781.6	1.7	498.5	-0.2	581.0	0.4	6,441.4	1.8	3,779.1	1.9	376.5	4.5	463.0	3.1	76.2	-0.4	238.2	0.7
Sep	16,144.1	2.0	2,094.7	2.8	1,769.5	1.7	493.4	1.1	581.1	2.4	6,334.5	1.4	3,752.2	2.6	367.8	3.9	450.3	2.2	72.8	0.7	227.9	-0.1
Oct	16,165.0	1.9	2,106.0	2.3	1,760.2	1.3	495.5	1.8	581.2	1.7	6,389.1	1.9	3,730.8	1.6	359.8	2.5	450.0	2.9	71.7	1.8	220.7	1.0
Nov	16,103.9	1.6	2,091.4	2.4	1,765.1	1.4	493.6	2.0	578.7	2.3	6,384.8	1.9	3,707.6	0.4	354.2	1.7	446.3	2.7	69.9	4.3	212.3	0.2
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Nov03	15,737.9		2,019.8		1,719.3		487.2		568.7		6,224.0		3,650.6		345.6		435.2		69.1		218.6	
Jan-Nov04	16,016.0		2,068.3		1,753.5		490.3		575.1		6,331.5		3,707.3		353.2		445.7		69.6		221.5	
% Change	1.8		2.4		2.0		0.6		1.1		1.7		1.6		2.2		2.4		0.8		1.3	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	35.5	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May	34.9	1.2	33.4	0.6	36.0	0.6	36.6	-1.6	34.4	-1.4	35.5	2.6	33.9	0.0	35.0	-1.4	35.5	0.6	37.6	1.1	35.0	0.0
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.9	36.1	0.3	36.1	0.0	35.4	1.4	35.3	1.1	33.8	0.0	35.2	-2.2	35.0	-1.7	37.2	-1.8	36.6	0.5
Jul	31.9	1.9	32.2	1.9	34.1	-0.9	32.3	0.3	32.2	0.0	32.0	-1.2	30.2	12.3	32.6	-3.3	32.2	-1.5	33.8	0.9	34.6	3.6
Aug	31.9	4.2	30.7	0.7	33.8	2.1	32.7	-1.5	31.5	-3.4	32.4	7.6	30.5	4.1	32.7	-1.8	31.7	0.6	33.2	-1.5	31.8	-0.6
Sep	34.8	0.6	34.0	2.1	36.5	1.7	35.5	0.6	34.6	-1.4	35.1	0.3	33.8	0.6	35.9	0.3	34.8	-0.6	36.0	-1.9	35.0	-0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.3	1.7	32.9	0.9	32.4	0.6	31.3	-1.9	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.2	-0.3	30.8	-0.6	31.3	-2.8	32.5	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.5	2.7	33.1	0.0	31.0	0.6	30.5	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.8	-1.5	30.2	-1.0	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.0
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Nov03	32.8		31.7		34.4		33.5		33.0		33.0		31.8		34.0		32.6		33.8		33.2	
Jan-Nov04	33.1		32.1		34.7		33.5		33.1		33.6		32.1		33.6		31.9		32.7		33.2	
% Change	1.0		1.5		0.7		0.2		0.3		1.5		1.0		-1.2		-2.2		-3.3		-0.1	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

	Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
	Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994									377.6		1,194.9					
1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
Apr	778.88	-5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
May	762.83	-6.4	648.02	-0.2	19.28	-6.0	18.53	-0.2	435.3	0.9	1,627.0	2.7	37.3	-0.3	32.3	0.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	650.04	-0.2	19.25	-6.4	18.48	-0.4	458.1	4.7	1,659.0	3.4	38.7	3.5	32.5	0.3
Jul	789.55	-1.8	653.70	-0.1	19.56	-3.3	18.37	-0.6	468.9	3.9	1,648.0	2.7	37.0	3.1	30.8	1.3
Aug	790.20	-2.6	662.98	1.4	19.52	-4.5	18.59	1.1	465.7	4.8	1,636.5	1.3	36.1	1.4	29.2	0.3
Sep	813.55	-0.1	666.05	1.8	20.22	-1.5	18.86	0.5	451.1	7.0	1,643.6	1.7	38.2	1.3	32.9	2.5
Oct	813.59	2.0	674.76	3.3	20.38	0.4	19.04	1.4	461.6	6.4	1,644.4	1.3	33.4	4.0	29.4	1.0
Nov	813.99	3.3	671.78	2.1	20.44	0.7	19.18	2.3	443.9	9.0	1,647.5	0.8	34.0	6.9	29.6	1.7
Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Nov03	810.08		651.08		20.47		18.65		423.4		1,596.4		35.6		30.6	
Jan-Nov04	792.57		657.58		19.87		18.71		438.9		1,629.4		36.3		31.0	
% Change	-2.2		1.0		-2.9		0.3		3.7		2.1		2.0		1.4	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May	762.83	-6.4	486.07	5.5	983.25	0.8	1007.08	-2.3	766.53	-6.2	736.90	-5.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	517.76	3.4	983.39	5.3	962.76	-10.2	775.31	-7.1	770.34	-3.4
Jul	789.55	-1.8	507.43	5.8	1003.41	6.2	957.32	-11.9	800.31	-0.1	756.87	-2.6
Aug	790.20	-2.6	506.45	2.1	1027.80	8.9	1041.74	-5.0	775.29	-4.8	790.43	-0.2
Sep	813.55	-0.1	486.33	-11.4	1088.48	14.1	1115.25	6.0	800.44	-1.8	806.35	4.9
Oct	813.59	2.0	463.57	-2.1	1121.84	15.5	933.24	-14.5	814.66	2.2	798.07	10.3
Nov	813.99	3.3	478.33	2.9	1017.01	4.9	846.75	-22.0	823.70	5.4	805.35	9.7
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Nov03	810.08		471.67		970.12		1064.67		806.48		782.32	
Jan-Nov04	792.57		493.29		1013.34		1008.12		787.70		783.71	
% Change	-2.2		4.6		4.5		-5.3		-2.3		0.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May	648.02	-0.2	744.04	-7.5	504.83	-1.8	744.10	-0.5	847.88	-2.3	787.24	-2.3	749.65	10.0	363.11	5.1	894.57	-1.3	671.73	-1.8
Jun	650.04	-0.2	756.59	-3.1	528.52	1.3	726.45	2.0	782.72	-6.5	818.67	-1.6	720.11	1.0	370.89	2.8	897.12	0.2	676.88	-1.7
Jul	653.70	-0.1	804.58	-1.4	535.44	5.0	720.56	1.6	793.69	-4.0	877.60	1.3	701.47	-3.9	364.79	-3.1	901.28	0.0	682.85	-0.7
Aug	662.98	1.4	823.94	7.0	517.24	0.1	704.29	-3.0	827.29	-1.6	949.16	10.0	715.72	-2.3	366.66	-1.5	899.02	-1.2	690.10	0.4
Sep	666.05	1.8	831.91	3.2	526.53	-2.1	703.31	-2.3	866.90	2.0	860.23	5.7	689.16	-4.4	366.27	10.2	913.52	-0.7	696.72	1.4
Oct	674.76	3.3	880.06	11.4	529.15	-0.9	687.95	-2.3	898.15	9.4	835.62	5.1	735.34	-0.1	362.61	10.2	942.42	2.6	704.14	3.1
Nov	671.78	2.1	849.13	4.2	528.55	-1.1	707.60	-0.8	836.39	1.7	829.69	3.1	735.26	1.5	375.32	11.2	929.82	0.8	701.27	2.7
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Nov03	651.08		804.52		520.07		727.77		855.32		800.83		710.10		352.62		906.68		683.78	
Jan-Nov04	657.58		787.90		520.29		727.07		831.94		827.27		732.31		363.60		909.53		685.24	
% Change	1.0		-2.1		0.0		-0.1		-2.7		3.3		3.1		3.1		0.3		0.2	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May	19.28	-6.0	11.96	3.5	24.29	3.6	26.22	-3.0	19.33	-6.4	18.86	-4.6
Jun	19.25	-6.4	12.25	-2.5	23.27	5.9	24.30	-13.8	19.37	-7.1	19.06	-3.9
Jul	19.56	-3.3	11.86	-0.9	23.74	5.4	24.43	-14.9	19.86	-2.1	19.22	-2.5
Aug	19.52	-4.5	11.97	-4.6	23.10	3.1	25.16	-14.5	19.58	-5.0	19.65	-2.1
Sep	20.22	-1.5	12.46	-9.4	24.23	3.6	26.31	-7.9	20.40	0.0	19.97	1.0
Oct	20.38	0.4	12.31	-10.9	25.51	9.2	24.29	-13.7	20.56	1.9	20.17	6.3
Nov	20.44	0.7	12.97	-7.0	23.98	5.5	23.09	-18.2	20.62	2.0	20.44	6.7
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Nov03	20.47		12.69		23.20		27.96		20.41		19.93	
Jan-Nov04	19.87		12.61		23.87		25.92		19.90		19.73	
% Change	-2.9		-0.6		2.9		-7.3		-2.5		-1.0	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.			
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																		
1995																		
1996																		
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
May	18.53	-0.2	19.56	-3.5	14.54	-2.1	19.92	0.2	22.78	-0.2	24.19	-0.3	22.20	3.3	11.56	2.9	24.44	2.7	18.68	-1.6
Jun	18.48	-0.4	19.77	-2.3	14.98	1.6	19.83	1.7	21.01	-6.2	24.72	-0.3	21.54	-1.0	11.72	5.2	24.64	3.5	18.64	-1.8
Jul	18.37	-0.6	20.04	-3.0	14.96	3.2	19.41	-1.4	20.97	-3.9	25.13	-0.6	21.28	-4.6	11.60	2.4	24.49	2.3	18.63	-1.3
Aug	18.59	1.1	20.08	3.4	14.59	0.2	19.35	-1.9	21.97	0.5	26.92	9.3	21.72	-3.6	11.55	2.9	24.52	-0.1	18.79	-0.2
Sep	18.86	0.5	20.66	2.3	14.79	-2.2	19.36	-0.2	22.33	2.3	25.64	2.0	21.41	-5.6	11.79	7.3	25.03	0.7	19.14	0.1
Oct	19.04	1.4	21.33	6.4	15.08	0.1	19.12	-1.5	22.72	6.0	25.68	5.2	21.85	-3.0	11.62	6.6	25.47	1.6	19.32	1.3
Nov	19.18	2.3	20.89	3.3	15.09	-0.7	19.77	3.1	22.16	2.3	25.94	8.9	22.31	0.7	11.61	2.3	25.26	0.0	19.44	2.1
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Nov03	18.65		20.40		14.87		19.81		22.62		24.43		21.94		11.30		24.34		19.03	
Jan-Nov04	18.71		19.92		14.91		19.86		21.90		24.97		22.01		11.63		24.76		18.95	
% Change	0.3		-2.3		0.3		0.3		-3.2		2.2		0.3		2.9		1.7		-0.4	

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3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
May	435.3	0.9	40.5	14.7	20.8	-25.2	3.8	58.3	11.4	-38.4	204.5	-3.9	29.1	-9.1	44.3	-16.1	14.5	2.1	142.2	18.6
Jun	458.1	4.7	41.9	17.0	25.7	-14.3	3.7	-28.8	10.9	-29.2	205.3	-1.9	29.4	-2.6	44.7	-13.4	14.3	-13.3	158.9	24.1
Jul	468.9	3.9	43.5	14.8	29.6	-12.4	2.7	-43.8	10.8	-31.6	212.2	-0.6	25.3	-20.4	49.6	-5.5	13.1	-14.9	159.8	20.8
Aug	465.7	4.8	42.0	2.7	25.3	-13.4	4.0	-40.3	11.0	4.8	207.1	-2.5	29.4	-18.6	42.5	-5.6	11.9	-16.8	164.7	25.7
Sep	451.1	7.0	35.2	0.3	23.0	-23.6	2.4	-52.9	11.4	-15.6	202.7	-1.4	27.6	-18.6	41.4	-0.7	9.3	-21.8	167.4	40.0
Oct	461.6	6.4	39.1	17.4	22.3	-25.2	2.1	-68.7	12.9	-12.2	200.5	-4.1	31.7	-12.9	39.6	-19.8	11.4	-13.6	176.0	38.9
Nov	443.9	9.0	33.2	8.1	21.1	-22.4	1.5	-75.4	13.0	23.8	198.3	0.8	34.3	-0.9	40.2	-18.6	10.7	-3.6	169.0	38.1
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Nov03	423.4		34.3		29.2		4.9		13.5		206.7		31.7		48.9		14.6		121.3	
Jan-Nov04	438.9		36.9		22.5		3.1		11.2		202.8		30.6		45.1		11.4		152.1	
% Change	3.7		7.6		-22.7		-36.6		-17.2		-1.9		-3.5		-7.7		-22.1		25.5	

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
May	1,627.0	2.7	119.0	1.0	302.2	-3.7	136.3	13.8	973.3	2.7	136.7	-7.9	221.8	5.2	175.3	10.0	96.1	13.5	2,062.2	2.3
Jun	1,659.0	3.4	125.0	10.9	307.3	-3.0	133.1	9.1	996.3	3.6	135.2	-7.3	227.9	6.3	183.7	11.2	97.4	6.7	2,117.1	3.7
Jul	1,648.0	2.7	127.8	15.1	318.1	-3.0	128.3	5.4	971.7	2.5	113.0	-6.4	226.0	6.2	184.0	8.7	102.3	6.3	2,116.9	3.0
Aug	1,636.5	1.3	119.4	2.2	304.7	-5.4	140.7	14.1	970.7	1.3	112.5	-8.0	221.3	5.5	185.1	4.8	101.0	6.9	2,102.2	2.1
Sep	1,643.6	1.7	117.0	5.1	307.5	-5.3	134.3	7.7	987.4	2.9	144.9	3.8	228.6	10.7	176.2	4.1	97.2	2.3	2,094.7	2.8
Oct	1,644.4	1.3	116.0	1.0	305.7	-3.7	135.9	4.1	987.5	3.0	144.4	-0.1	222.9	6.4	173.0	2.2	99.2	-2.5	2,106.0	2.3
Nov	1,647.5	0.8	111.7	-2.3	312.1	-4.5	135.6	2.1	992.4	3.4	149.3	0.7	225.0	5.8	175.1	7.2	95.7	-5.3	2,091.4	2.4
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Nov03	1,596.4		114.3		319.4		126.2		945.6		145.4		211.1		164.1		90.9		2,019.8	
Jan-Nov04	1,629.4		117.1		308.7		132.9		972.9		137.0		222.3		177.8		97.7		2,068.3	
% Change	2.1		2.5		-3.4		5.3		2.9		-5.8		5.3		8.3		7.5		2.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.5A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
May	37.3	-0.3	39.8	-0.5	38.2	4.9	35.8	-0.3	36.7	-1.9	37.4	0.3
Jun	38.7	3.5	41.1	-4.0	41.2	3.3	31.3	-16.8	37.5	1.4	39.6	11.9
Jul	37.0	3.1	36.4	-7.4	41.1	13.9	32.8	-2.4	36.2	2.8	37.5	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.4	39.4	-7.9	41.2	5.6	31.4	0.0	34.9	1.7	35.8	2.9
Sep	38.2	1.3	37.4	-12.0	40.6	0.7	38.2	17.2	37.9	1.1	38.3	6.4
Oct	33.4	4.0	41.0	24.2	37.8	11.2	26.7	-7.0	32.5	0.6	32.2	3.2
Nov	34.0	6.9	35.9	20.9	39.2	2.1	29.1	-4.3	33.4	6.0	33.3	9.5
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Nov03	35.6		36.5		38.0		33.9		35.5		34.5	
Jan-Nov04	36.3		36.9		39.1		32.0		35.9		36.2	
% Change	2.0		1.0		2.8		-5.7		1.0		5.0	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May	32.3	0.6	38.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	36.9	2.2	30.3	-3.5	31.0	11.1	28.7	-5.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.5	0.3	39.1	10.8	32.1	0.6	32.9	0.0	35.6	2.9	30.1	-6.5	29.9	-0.3	30.3	-3.8	33.6	-5.4	33.8	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.8	2.7	32.0	2.2	33.1	4.4	34.6	-0.6	15.5	-11.4	27.8	0.7	29.9	-6.3	32.4	-0.9	32.2	1.9
Aug	29.2	0.3	35.2	-1.9	30.9	0.3	30.9	3.0	32.9	3.1	15.6	4.7	26.7	6.4	28.6	-6.5	30.6	12.1	30.7	0.7
Sep	32.9	2.5	37.8	-0.5	32.4	0.6	33.7	7.0	38.1	2.1	32.5	6.9	29.4	0.0	30.3	4.5	33.1	1.2	34.0	2.1
Oct	29.4	1.0	34.2	0.6	28.8	-3.4	30.1	2.0	31.3	-0.3	27.3	-5.5	27.3	0.4	29.0	6.6	28.7	0.0	30.3	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	35.0	-0.3	29.2	-0.3	30.0	-2.9	32.1	3.2	25.8	-12.8	27.7	4.1	30.4	14.7	28.7	4.7	30.5	2.7
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Nov03	30.6		35.6		30.7		32.1		33.9		27.2		27.8		29.1		32.3		31.7	
Jan-Nov04	31.0		36.3		30.9		32.2		35.1		25.8		28.8		29.2		31.9		32.1	
% Change	1.4		2.0		0.7		0.3		3.7		-5.1		3.5		0.2		-1.1		1.5	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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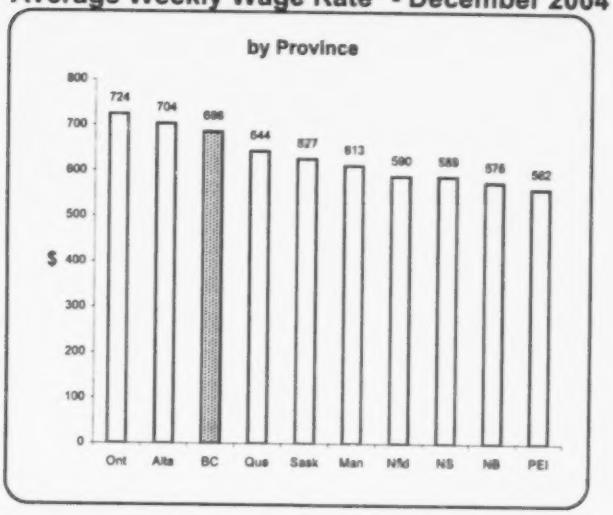
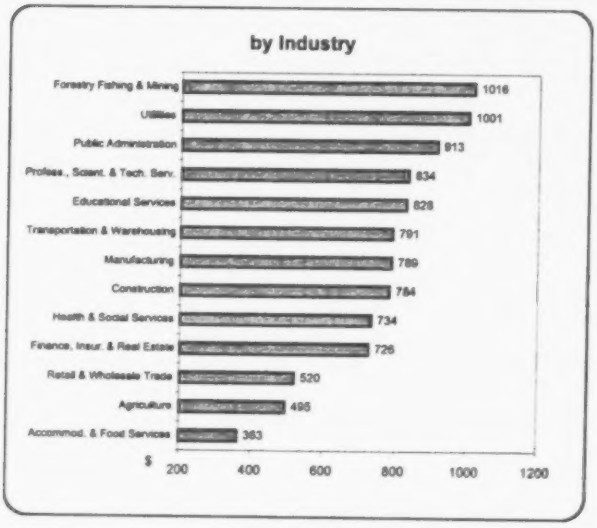
Average Weekly Wage Rate* - December 2004





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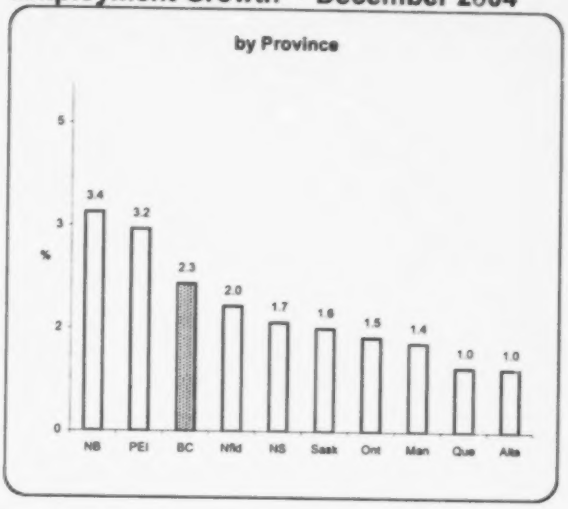
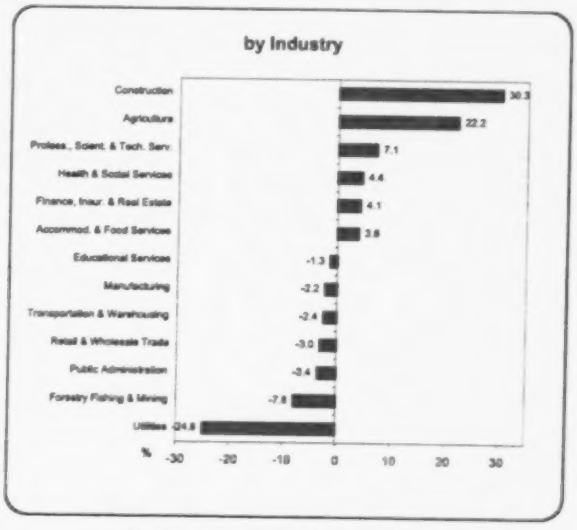
Employment Growth* - December 2004





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Feature Article: The Educational Attainment of Aboriginal Peoples: A Regional Comparison - Part I

The Educational Attainment of Aboriginal Peoples
A Regional Comparison – Part I

BC STATS recently released Statistical Profiles of Aboriginal Peoples in BC based on data from the 2001 Census. They can be accessed at:

http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/data/cen01/abor/ap_main.htm.

These profiles are available for the fifteen College Regions[1] in the province and cover the socio-economic characteristics of three distinct population groups; Aboriginal Peoples living on-reserve, Aboriginal Peoples living off-reserve and the non-aboriginal population. The topics profiled are demographic, mobility, language, education, labour, income and housing. This report covers the education dimension of the profiles.

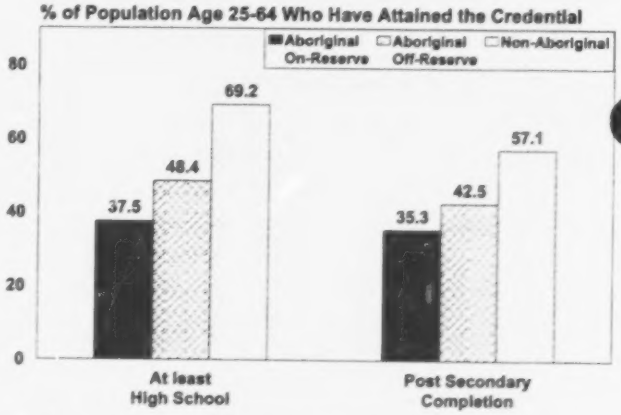
Introduction

It has been well documented from many sources that Aboriginal Peoples in BC lag far behind the rest of the population in educational attainment. Data from the 2001 Census confirm this gap for both high school and post secondary completion.

The area of greatest concern is the very low high school completion rate of Aboriginal Peoples as we know that persons without a high school diploma are at risk of becoming marginalized in society. The data show daunting inequalities between the non-aboriginal population and both the off-reserve and on-reserve aboriginal populations.

Only 46 per cent of Aboriginals between the age of 25 and 64 have completed their high school. This compares to a 69 per cent completion rate for non-Aboriginals. The gap is considerably more severe for those living on-reserve where high school completion rates were only 38 per cent (a 31 percentage point gap with non-aboriginals) alongside an off-reserve rate of 48 per cent (a 21 percentage point gap). The goal is to eliminate these gaps but there is a long way to go before any kind of equality can be achieved.

Differences between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Educational Attainment -- 2001



The report will be released in two parts; this one, Part I, concentrates on the high school outcomes of Aboriginal Peoples. The article opens with a brief overview of some of the positive indicators over the five years since the 1996 Census. Thereafter, the main thrust of the paper is an examination of the differences found among aboriginal peoples themselves, specifically between those living on and off-reserve and those living in different regions of the province. Part

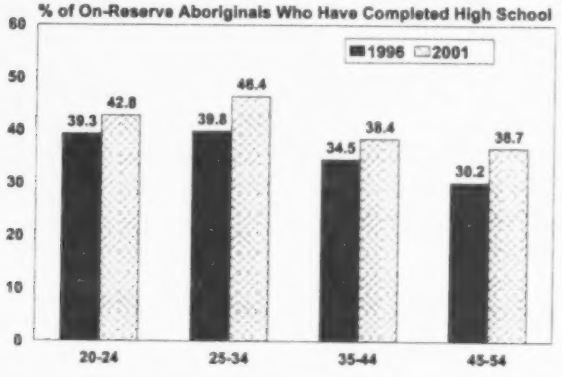
[1] The profiles will also be made available by the 5 Health Authorities (HA's) and the 16 Health Service Delivery Areas (HSDA's) in the near future.

II, to be released later, will approach the same issues of Aboriginal education attainment but at the post secondary level.

High School Completion Comparisons Over Time

One very positive thing is that high school completion rates for on-reserve aboriginals[2] did improve substantially between 1996 and 2001, from 33 to 38 per cent and while the non-aboriginal completion rates also improved, the gap between them decreased marginally (-1%). Further positive news was that in 2001 there were large difference in the high school completion rates between different age groups with the younger generations generally being better educated than their elders.

Aboriginal Peoples Living On-Reserve have improved their High School Graduation Rate across All Age Groups.



[2] Only on-reserve aboriginals are included in this section. There are problems comparing over time the characteristics of the off-reserve aboriginal population because the number of people who consider themselves Metis continues to increase each census. The Metis population increased by 73% between 1996 and 2001, and it was due primarily to persons who did not identify as Metis in 1996, claiming Metis identity in 2001. Thus, in this article, changes in education attainment between 1996 and 2001 are only considered for the on-reserve aboriginal population.

Those 25 - 34 had a completion rate of 46 per cent compared to 37 per cent for those aged 45-54. So, as the reserve population ages, the aggregate education achievement will continue to improve.

But most importantly, those who were aged 20-24 in 2001 show definite signs of exceeding the accomplishments of those five years older than themselves. Their completion rate was 43 per cent in 2001, 4 percentage points ahead of the same age group five years previously. So, while the education profile of the on-reserve population remains grim, it has improved substantially in just five years and all indicators point to a continuation of these positive trends.

High School Completion Comparisons between Regions of British Columbia

How does the high school achievement of Aboriginal Peoples differ between regions of the province? Are there areas of the province where aboriginal communities are better educated than others and if so, what might be the socio-economic-institutional structures that create these differences? Below we look at the high school completion rates of both on-reserve and off-reserve Aboriginal Peoples by College Region.[3]

The following three charts show College Region comparisons of high school completion rates, the first one for the on-reserve adult population (age 25-64), the 2nd one for the same population off-reserve and finally a comparison of the education gaps between these two groups.

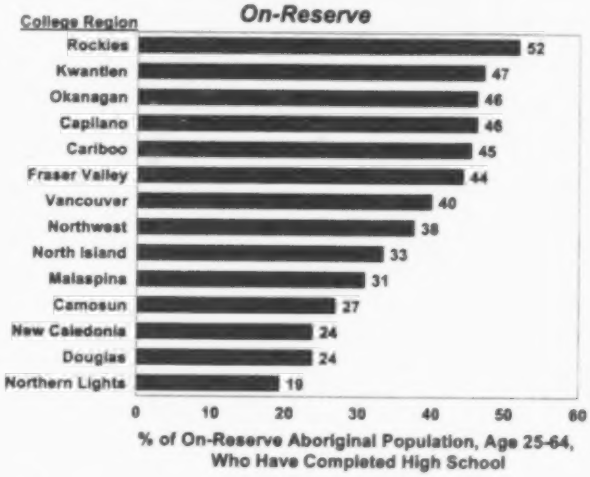
[3] See the Appendix for a list of the cities and reserves/ bands covered in each of the College Regions. Note that Selkirk College Region has no reserve population.

For the on-reserve population the range in the high school completion rates is immense, from 52 per cent in the East Kootenays (Rockies College Region) to 19 per cent, in the Northeast (Northern Lights College Region). There are many factors that might create such a divergence, some of which are; different access to quality schooling which would definitely be an important factor for isolated reserves, difference in job opportunities for youth leading to some reserves choosing work over education, differences in the levels of poverty and the hopelessness it brings, etc.

Looking at the differences between the regions, there does not seem to be any logical correlation of educational attainment with the degree of urbanization of the area or its geographic location in the province. For example, within the Lower Mainland where access to quality education would not be an issue, the reserves in the Kwantlen College Region, which includes Surrey, Richmond, etc. (see appendix), show the second highest high school completion rate (47%) while right next-door, in the Douglas College Region, which includes Coquitlam, Burnaby, etc. (see appendix), the reserves have one of the lowest rates (24%). Inter-generational poverty and the lack of role models could very well be the issue on the Douglas reserves – only one-third of the adult population work full-time/full-year despite the fact that the reserves are located close to a very large lucrative job market.

Similarly, in the two extreme College Regions mentioned above, namely Rockies and Northern Lights, on the surface their geographic and economic structures appear similar -- both are relatively rural and both have resource-based economies. Why the reserves in the Rockies show the highest success, with more than one-half of their 260 residents age 25-64 with a high school diploma, is an enigma. One would think that access to quality education would be a barrier because one half of the reserve population is quite isolated without year-round access to a service centre.

Differences in the Educational Attainment of Aboriginal Peoples between BC College Regions



The situation in the Northern Lights College Region is that only one out of every five of their 1,000 25-64 year olds have a high school credential. Isolation would definitely be a limiting factor as the College Region includes not only the Northeast but takes in the far north of the province right out to the coast, covering such remote communities as Atlin and Dease Lake. Approximately 70 per cent of the reserve population do not have year-round access to a service centre.

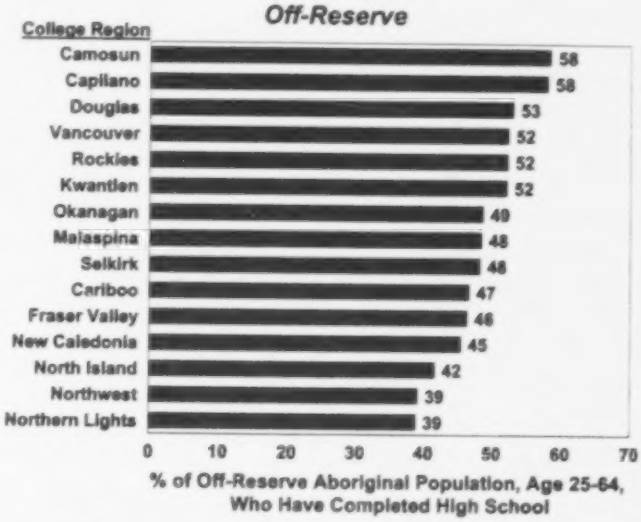
But interestingly, the reserve population in the Northern Lights College Region have been benefiting from the oil and gas economic boom in the northeast. Among the 15-24 year olds on reserve, in the

September to May school year of 1995/96, 23 per cent had neither worked nor went to school in that nine month time frame. That represented one of the highest incidences of non-participation in school or work among youth in the province. In the 2000/01 school-year, that non-participation rate had dropped to 13 per cent as more jobs became available. Youth's employment rate went from 54 per cent to 69 per cent which is good news, but some of that increase was at the expense of staying in school. Their school attendance dropped from 52 per cent to 47 per cent. This may have the impact of reducing the future high school completion rate in the area to an even lower level than it already is.

Surprisingly, the Northwest College Region, with the largest reserve population (approximately 9,000) in the province and the most rural one -- nine of every 10 residents do not have year-round access to a service centre -- show a 38 per cent rate of high school completion, which is well above the other regions in the north.

The Northwest College Region is where the Nisga'a lands are located. The Census of Canada was still counting the Nisga'a lands as reserves in 2001. There are approximately 1,750 persons living on these 'reserves' which represents approximately 20 per cent of the reserve population in the Northwest College Region. None of the population has year-round access to a service centre yet the Nisga'a has a very impressive high school graduation rate of 48 per cent which is comparable to some of the most educated reserve populations in the province. The most notable indicator of progress is a high school graduation rate of approximately 75 per cent among their 20-24 year olds. This rate compares favourably with the non-aboriginal graduation rate in the College Region. The Nisga'a education system may prove to be an effective model for other large reserves in isolated areas.

Differences in the Educational Attainment of Aboriginal Peoples between BC College Regions



For the off-reserve aboriginal population, there is a less extreme and more explainable pattern in educational achievement between regions. Aboriginal achievement lines up fairly well with that of all the residents in the region. For example, Capilano, Camosun, Douglas and Vancouver show the highest levels of educational achievement for the non-aboriginal population as well as the aboriginal population. A large proportion of jobs that require high levels of education are located in these regions and attract a well educated population, both aboriginal and non-aboriginal alike.

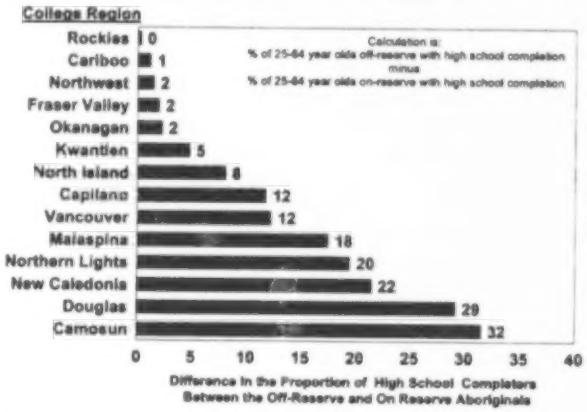
At the other end of the spectrum, the off-reserve aboriginals from the four

northern College Regions have the lowest levels of education. This too, is fairly consistent with the non-aboriginal education attainment between areas. The exception to this is the North Island where the region is geographically polarized between the service hubs of Courtney/Comox and Campbell River in the south east of the region and the more resource based economies of Port Alberni and the far north of the island where the aboriginal population is relatively more concentrated.

Once again, aboriginals from the Rockies College Region stand out with their off-reserve aboriginal communities showing education levels equivalent to aboriginals in the major urban areas. In fact, their high school attainment does not fall much short of the non-aboriginal population in the area. In short, the entire aboriginal community in the Rockies appears to be almost entirely integrated into the education life of the overall community.

The differences between the on-reserve and off-reserve educational profile in the same region may shed some light on the reasons for some of the differences between regions. While all the off-reserve aboriginal adult populations have a higher proportion of their population with high school completion, there are a few College Regions; namely Rockies, Cariboo, Northwest, Fraser Valley and Okanagan; where the on and off-reserve populations have very similar high school completion profiles. Whether these areas have a high degree of integration and interaction between the on and off-reserve aboriginal communities; or whether both groups are separate but get the same quality of education and hence achieve similar levels of success is the question; or perhaps it is just by chance. Whatever the reasons, the differences cannot not be explained by the Census data above. However, an understanding of why there is such a contrast between those five regions and the regions that have large gaps in education achievement between their on and off-reserve aboriginal populations, might contribute to our understanding of why aboriginal groups living side by side in the same communities can have such immense variances in their education outcomes.

The Rockies, Cariboo, Northwest, Fraser Valley and Okanagan are the regions where the On Reserve and Off Reserve Populations have very similar rates of High School Completion



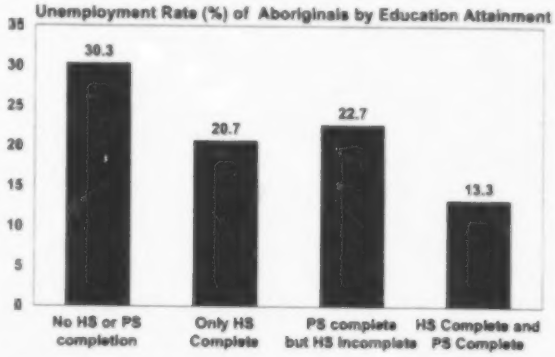
The Camosun College Region, which primarily covers the Victoria area, is a case in point. The off-reserve population is the most highly educated of all the regions, but the on-reserve population is one of the least and the result is that the gap between these two groups is very pronounced. Yet, most of the reserve population in the area is located within easy access to secondary and post-secondary institutions as well as a buoyant job market.

What would cause this divide; brain-drain from the reserves to the non-

reserve parts of the region, or are the off-reserve population from aboriginal groups of different heritage backgrounds from around the province who move to Victoria to fill the high paid government jobs. If this were the case it would likely mean minimal contact between the two groups, creating two very separate populations in two very distinct socio-economic strata. Or might there be a difference in the quality of education received by the on-reserve and off-reserve populations? Identifying the reasons for such a gap could be a start to solving the on-reserve education dilemma.

The analysis in this article has placed a great deal of emphasis on the importance of the high school diploma to the well-being of Aboriginal Peoples. It is true that there are other routes to obtaining skills that are equally, if not more, valuable in the job market and many aboriginals have gone that route. Fourteen per cent, or 1 out of every 7 aboriginals between the ages of 25 and 64 have completed a post secondary credential without having completed their high school. And for many, this route has provided a lucrative living. But the truth is this is not a guarantee for obtaining a 'good' job.

Aboriginal Peoples who have completed a post secondary (PS) certificate or diploma but have not completed high school (HS) experience higher levels of unemployment than do those with only a high school diploma



It goes without saying that all post secondary credentials are not of equal value. In fact there are many post-secondary credentials that are not as valuable as a high school diploma. This is made evident in the chart above that shows aboriginals who have obtained some kind of post-secondary certificate without high school completion face higher levels of unemployment than those with only a high school diploma. As well, a high school diploma is essential for acceptance into many of the more highly skilled and technical post secondary programs and these are the areas that have the greatest assurance of providing stable and well-paid employment opportunities. The 2nd part of this report will look at these post secondary issues of Aboriginal Peoples at the regional level.

In summary, probably the greatest hope there is to break the perpetual cycle of inter-generational poverty on reserve is to ensure all young Aboriginals are given every opportunity to complete high school.

Appendix: The Aboriginal Population in the Cities and Reserves by College Region -- Page 1 of 3

Camosun College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Victoria	2,180
Saanich	1,475
Esquimalt	725
Langford	665
Sooke	315
Colwood	280
Central Saanich	200
Sidney	195
View Royal	180
Metchosin	175
Oak Bay	120
North Saanich	60
Highlands	45
Indian Reserves	2,095
Unorganized Areas	390
Total Region	**9,100**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**5.4**

Large Indian Reserves	
South Saanich 1 (Tsartlip)	545
East Saanich 2 (Tsawout FN)	435
New Songhees 1A (Songhees FN)	425
Cole Bay 3 (Pauquachin)	255
Gordon River 2 (Pacheedaht FN)	105
Becher Bay 1 (Beecher Bay)	100
Union Bay 4 (Tseycum)	100
T'Sou-ke 1 (T'Sou-ke FN)	65
T'Sou-ke 2 (T'Sou-ke FN)	60
Esquimalt (Esquimalt)	#
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**2,095**
IR Population as a % of Region	23.0%
TOTAL	46,380

Reserve not enumerated

Capilano College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
North Vancouver	825
Squamish	360
Sechelt	240
Gibsons	120
Whistler	110
West Vancouver	95
Pemberton	50
Bowen Island	15
Lions Bay	0
Indian Reserves	3,055
Unorganized Areas	1,550
Total Region	**6,420**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**3.8**

Large Indian Reserves	
Mount Currie 6 (Mount Currie)	695
Capilano 5 (Squamish)	535
Sechelt (Sechelt)	425
Mission 1 (Squamish)***	340
Burrard Inlet 3 (Burrard)	240
Mount Currie 10 (Mount Currie)	185
Nequatque 1 (N'Quatque)	150
Waiwakum 14 (Squamish)	90
Nesuch 3 (Mount Currie)	80
Stawamus 24 (Squamish)	55
Mount Currie 8 (Mount Currie)	50
Chekamus 11 (Squamish)	45
Seymour Creek 2 (Squamish)	25
Mount Currie 1 (Mount Currie)	#
Total Region Indian Reserves*	**3,055**
IR Population as a % of Region	47.6%
Total Region Indian Reserves**	46,380

Reserve non-response rate > 25%

Cariboo College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Kamloops	3,965
Williams Lake	1,445
Lillooet	560
Chase	265
Lytton	160
100 Mile House	140
Ashcroft	140
Logan Lake	105
Cache Creek	85
Clinton	65
Indian Reserves	7960
Unorganized Areas	3985
Total Region	**18875**
Total BC	170020
Region as % of BC	**11.1**

Large Indian Reserves	
Kamloops 1 (Kamloops)	720
Nicola Mameet 1 (Lower Nicola)	410
Alkali Lake 1 (Esketemc)	390
Anahim's Flat 1 (T'etinqox-t)	385
Squinas 2 (Ulkatcho)***	320
Coldwater 1 (Coldwater)	260
Williams Lake 1 (Williams Lake)	260
Sahhaltkum 4 (Adams Lake)	240
Stone 1 (Stone)	240
Canim Lake 1 (Canim Lake)	230
North Thompson 1 (North Thompson)	225
Skeetchestn (Skeetchestn)	215
Bridge River 1 (Bridge River)	205
Lillooet 1 (T'it'q'et)	195
Redstone Flat 1 (Alexis Creek)	185
Douglas Lake 3 (Upper Nicola)	170
Slosh 1 (Seton Lake)	170
Fountain 1 (Xaxli'p)	160
Nicola Lake 1 (Upper Nicola)	155
Inkluckcheen 21 (Lytton)	130
Deep Creek 2 (Soda Creek)	120
Nooaitch 10 (Nooaitch)	120
Bonaparte 3 (Bonaparte)	115
Nuuautin 2 (Lytton)	115
Dog Creek 1 (Canoe Creek)	100
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**7,960**
IR Population as a % of Region	42.2%
TOTAL	46,380

Pavilion 1 and Marble Canyon 3 (Ts'kw aylaxw FN) not enumerated

Douglas College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Burnaby	3,145
New Westminster	1,595
Coquitlam	1,485
Port Coquitlam	1,030
Port Moody	480
Pitt Meadows	305
Anmore	0
Belcarra	0
Indian Reserves	230
Unorganized Areas	1,560
Total Region	**9,830**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**5.8**

Large Indian Reserves	
Katzie 1 (Katzie)	210
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**230**
IR Population as a % of Region	2.3%
TOTAL	46,380

College Region of the Rockies

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Cranbrook	1,115
Golden	255
Kimberley	165
Creston	150
Fernie	140
Sparwood	130
Invermere	120
Elkford	80
Radium Hot Springs	45
Indian Reserves	535
Unorganized Areas	1,085
Total Region	**3,820**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**2.2**

Total Region Indian Reserves**	
Kootenay 1 (St. Mary's)	165
Columbia Lake 3 (?Akisq'nuk FN)	115
Creston 1 (Lower Kootenay)	115
Shuswap (Shuswap)	75
Tobacco Plains 2 (Tobacco Plain	65
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**535**
IR Population as a % of Region	14.0%
TOTAL	46,380

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Fraser Valley College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Chilliwack	2,545
Abbotsford	2,500
Mission	1,490
Hope	530
Kent	130
Harrison Hot Springs	60
Indian Reserves	3,710
Unorganized Areas	560
Total Region	**11,525**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**6.8**

Large Indian Reserves	
Seabird Island (Seabird Island)*	505
Chehalis 5 (Chehalis)	460
Tzeachten 13 (Tzeachten)	225
Soowahlie 14 (Soowahlie)	215
Cheam 1 (Cheam)	210
Skwah 4 (Skwah)	195
Upper Sumas 6 (Sumas FN)	160
Chawathil 4 (Chawathil)	150
Lakahahmen 11 (Leq'a:mel FN)	140
Skowkale 10 (Skowkale)	135
Schkam 2 (Chawathil)	125
Holachten 8 (Leq'a:mel FN)	115
Squiaala 7 (Squiala FN)***	110
Skway 5 (Shxwhâ:y Village)	80
Squawkum Creek 3 (Scowlitz)	80
Matsqui Main 2 (Matsqui)	70
Kahmoose 4 (Boothroyd)	65
Ohamil 1 (Shxw'ow'hamel FN)	65
Skookumchuck 4 (Skatin Natior	65
Skweahm 10 (Leq'a:mel FN)	60
Baptiste Smith 1B (Samahquan	55
Douglas 8 (Douglas)	50
Kopchitchin 2 (Boston Bar FN)	45
Peters 1 (Peters)	45
Spuzzum 1 (Spuzzum)	40
Total Region Indian Reserves	**3,710**
IR Population as a % of Region	32.2%
TOTAL	46,380

Kwantlen College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Surrey	6,900
Langley	1,945
Delta	1,495
Richmond	1,165
Langley	745
White Rock	160
Indian Reserves	415
Unorganized Areas	0
Total Region	**12,825**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**7.5**

Large Indian Reserves	
Tsawwassen (Tsawwassen FN)	205
McMillan Island 6 (Kwantlen FN)	60
Semiahmoo (Semiahmoo)	50
Barnston Island 3 (Katzie)	45
Matsqui 4 (Matsqui)	30
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**415**
IR Population as a % of Region	3.2%
TOTAL	46,380

Selkirk College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Trail	290
Castlegar	215
Grand Forks	190
Nelson	175
Rossland	105
Kaslo	65
Warfield	60
Fruitvale	45
Nakusp	45
Salmo	30
Montrose	15
New Denver	15
Midway	10
Greenwood	0
Silverton	0
Slocan	0
Indian Reserves	0
Unorganized Areas	1,075
Total Region	**2,335**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**1.4**

Malaspina College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Nanaimo	3,380
North Cowichan	1,570
Duncan	735
Powell River	505
Ladysmith	325
Parksville	235
Lake Cowichan	115
Qualicum Beach	75
Indian Reserves	3,840
Unorganized Areas	2,015
Total Region	**12,795**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**7.5**

Large Indian Reserves	
Cowichan 1 (Cowichan)	1,175
Sliammon 1 (Sliammon)***	635
Chemainus 13 (Chemainus FN)	545
Kuper Island 7 (Penelakut)	300
Nanaimo Town 1 (Snuneymuxw FN)	235
Nanoose (Nanoose FN)	200
Malachen 11 (Diidaht)	175
Nanaimo River 4 (Snuneymuxw FN)	155
Halalt 2 (Halalt)	115
Malahat 11 (Malahat FN)	75
Tsussie 6 (Penelakut)	65
Oyster Bay 12 (Chemainus FN)	60
Qualicum (Qualicum)	60
Squaw-hay-one 11 (Chemainus FN)	45
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**3,840**
IR Population as a % of Region	30.0%
TOTAL	46,380

New Caladonia College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Prince George	7,155
Quesnel	885
Fort St. James	500
Burns Lake	280
Valemount	260
Vanderhoof	230
Mackenzie	210
Fraser Lake	120
McBride	70
Granisle	40
Wells	0
Indian Reserves	3,335
Unorganized Areas	2,700
Total Region	**15,785**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**9.3**

Large Indian Reserves	
Woyenne 27 (Lake Babine Nation)	585
Nak'azdli 1 (Nak'azdli)	460
Stony Creek 1 (Saik'uz FN)	410
Nautley 1 (Nadleh Whuten)	175
Stellequo 1 (Stellat'en FN)	150
Nazco 20 (Nazko)	120
Binche 2 (Tl'azt'en Nation)***	115
Fort George 2 (Lheidli T'enneh)	105
Babine 25 (Lake Babine Nation)	85
Babine 6 (Lake Babine Nation)	80
Ye Koo Che 3 (Yekooche)	70
Cheslatta 1 (Cheslatta Carrier Nation)	65
McLeod Lake 1 (McLeod Lake)	65
Quesnel 1 (Red Bluff)	55
Kluskus 1 (Kluskus)	50
North Tacla Lake 7A (Takla Lake FN)	40
Burns Lake 18 (Burns Lake)***	35
Tache 1 (Tl'azt'en Nation)	#
North Tacla Lake 7 (Takla Lake FN)	#
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**3,335**
IR Population as a % of Region	21.1%
TOTAL	46,380

Reserve non-response rate greater than 25%.

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Northern Lights College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Fort St. John	1,785
Dawson Creek	1,430
Chetwynd	670
Fort Nelson	470
Pouce Coupe	145
Tumbler Ridge	145
Hudson's Hope	130
Taylor	105
Indian Reserves	2,290
Unorganized Areas	2,095
Total Region	**9,265**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**5.4**

Large Indian Reserves	
Fort Nelson 2 (Fort Nelson FN)***	390
East Moberly Lake 169 (Salteau FN)	305
Iskut 6 (Iskut)	275
Fort Ware 1 (Kwadacha)	215
Guhthe Tah 12 (Tahltan)	140
Blueberry River 205 (Blueberry River I	135
Halfway River 168 (Halfway River FN)	135
Doig River 206 (Doig River)	130
Liard River 3 (Liard FN)	100
Prophet River 4 (Prophet River FN)	100
Five Mile Point 3 (Taku River Tlingit)	90
Good Hope Lake (Dease River)	75
Dease Lake 9 (Tahltan)	65
Telegraph Creek 6 (Tahltan)	60
West Moberly Lake 168A (West Mobe	50
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**2,290**
IR Population as a % of Region	24.7%
TOTAL	46,380

Vancouver College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Vancouver	10,445
Univ. Endow. Area	140
Indian Reserves	525
Unorganized Areas	0
Total Region	**11,195**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**6.6**

Large Indian Reserves	
Musqueum 2 (Musqueam FN)	525.0
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**525**
IR Population as a % of Region	4.7%
TOTAL	46,380

North Island College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Port Alberni	2,325
Campbell River	1,560
Courtenay	725
Port Hardy	460
Comox	355
Ucluelet	190
Port McNeill	155
Alert Bay	135
Tofino	120
Gold River	65
Port Alice	55
Cumberland	40
Tahsis	25
Sayward	15
Zeballos	0
Indian Reserves	6,615
Unorganized Areas	2,005
Total Region	**14,845**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**8.7**

Large Indian Reserves	
Bella Bella 1 (Heiltsuk)	1,150
Bella Coola 1 (Nuxalk Nation)	860
Marktosis 15 (Ahousat)	535
Alert Bay 1A (Namgis FN)	410
Tsulquate 4 (Gwa'Sala-Nakwaxda'xw)	375
Alert Bay 1 (Namgis FN)	265
Kippase 2 (Kwakiutl)	255
Campbell River 11 (Campbell River)	245
Ittatsoo 1 (Ucluelet FN)	210
Quatsino Subdivision 18 (Quatsino)	200
Quinsam 12 (Cape Mudge)	190
Comox 1 (Comox)	175
Tsa Xana 18 (Mowachaht/Muchalaht)	175
Cape Mudge 10 (Cape Mudge)	160
Houpsitas 6 (Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k:tles7et'h'	160
Opitsat 1 (Tla-o-qui-aht FN)	145
Esowista 3 (Tla-o-qui-aht FN)	140
Ahahswinis 1 (Hupacasath FN)	110
Kelli 1 (Owekeno/Wuikinuxv Nation)***	100
Qusee 7 (Tsawataineuk)	95
Anaela 12 (Huu-ay-aht FN)	85
Refuge Cove 6 (Hesquiaht)	75
Tork 7 (Klahoose FN)	60
Tsahaheh 1 (Tseshaht)	#
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**6,615**
IR Population as a % of Region	44.6%
TOTAL	46,380

Reserve non-response rate greater than 25%.

Northwest College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Prince Rupert	4,330
Terrace	1,775
Kitimat	545
Smithers	535
Houston	330
Port Edward	290
Masset	195
Hazelton	180
New Hazelton	160
Telkwa	100
Stewart	65
Port Clements	30
Indian Reserves	9,075
Unorganized Areas	1,820
Total Region	**19,430**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**11.4**

Large Indian Reserves	
Lax Kw'alaams (Lax-kw'alaams)	760
Masset 1 (Old Masset Village Counci	710
New Aiyansh (Nisga'a Nation)	690
Gitanmaax 1 (Gitanmaax)	665
Skidegate 1 (Skidegate)	665
Kispiox 1 (Kispiox)	635
Kitamaat 2 (Kitamaat)	510
Gitwangak 1 (Gitwangak)	460
Laxgalts'ap (Nisga'a Nation)	455
Gitsegukla 1 (Gitsegukla)	435
Gitanyow 1 (Gitanyow)	355
Dolphin Island 1 (Kitkatla)	345
Gingolx (Nisga'a Nation)***	335
Kitasoo 1 (Kitasoo)	295
Hagwilget 1 (Hagwilget Village)	235
Gitwinksihlkw (Nisga'a Nation)	200
Moricetown 1 (Moricetown)	190
Sik-e-dakh 2 (Glen Vowell)	165
Kulkayu 4 (Hartley Bay)	160
Babine 17 (Moricetown)	155
Coryelsaqua 2 (Moricetown)	155
Nisga'a (Nisga'a Nation)	85
Kulspai 6 (Kitselas)	75
Bulkley River 19 (Moricetown)	65
Kshish 4 (Kitselas)	60
Kitsumkalum 1 (Kitsumkalum)	#
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**9,075**
IR Population as a % of Region	46.7%
TOTAL	46,380

Reserve non-response rate greater than 25%.

Okanagan College Region

Incorporated Places	Aboriginal Population
Kelowna	2,150
Vernon	1,295
Penticton	960
Salmon Arm	580
Lake Country	260
Summerland	255
Spallumcheen	240
Revelstoke	220
Coldstream	195
Enderby	145
Oliver	145
Armstrong	140
Princeton	110
Sicamous	80
Lumby	75
Keremeos	65
Peachland	30
Osoyoos	25
Indian Reserves	2,715
Unorganized Areas	2,405
Total Region	**12,070**
Total BC	170,020
Region as % of BC	**7.1**

Large Indian Reserves	
Okanagan 1 (Okanagan)	675
Tsinstikeptum 9 (Westbank FN)	540
Osoyoos 1 (Osoyoos)	330
Enderby 2 (Spallumcheen)	220
Queeout 1 (Little Shuswap Lake)	145
Penticton 1 (Penticton)	110
Tsinstikeptum 10 (Westbank FN)	110
Switsemalph 6 (Adams Lake)	85
Duck Lake 7 (Okanagan)	80
Switsemalph 3 (Neskonlith)	65
Ashnola 10 (Lower Similkameen)	60
Chuchuweyha 2 (Upper Similkameen)	55
Lower Similkameen 2 (Lower Similkar	50
Chopaka 7 & 8 (Lower Similkameen)	45
North Bay 5 (Little Shuswap Lake)	40
Priest's Valley 6 (Okanagan)	40
Chum Creek 2 (Little Shuswap Lake)	15
Total Region Indian Reserves**	**2,715**
IR Population as a % of Region	22.5%
TOTAL	46,380

1 SUMMARY TRENDS

		Consumer Price Index			Average Weekly Wage Rate						Employment Growth			Unemployment Rate		
					Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			Seasonally Adjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		
		BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.	BC	Canada	U.S.A.
		% Change			% Change			% Change			% Change			(%)		
	1994	1.9	0.2	2.6			3.3			0.6	4.7	2.0	2.3	9.0	10.4	6.1
	1995	2.3	2.2	2.8			2.3			-0.5	2.2	1.9	1.5	8.4	9.4	5.6
	1996	0.9	1.6	2.9			3.3			0.4	1.6	0.8	1.5	8.7	9.6	5.4
	1997	0.7	1.6	2.3			4.5			2.1	2.6	2.3	2.3	8.4	9.1	4.9
	1998	0.3	0.9	1.6			3.9			2.3	0.1	2.7	1.5	8.8	8.3	4.5
	1999	1.1	1.7	2.2			3.2			1.0	1.9	2.8	1.5	8.3	7.6	4.2
	2000	1.9	2.7	3.4	1.9	3.2	3.9	0.0	0.5	0.5	2.2	2.6	2.5	7.2	6.8	4.0
	2001	1.7	2.6	2.8	1.4	3.2	2.7	-0.3	0.6	-0.2	-0.3	1.1	0.0	7.7	7.2	4.8
	2002	2.3	2.2	1.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	1.0	0.3	1.0	1.6	2.2	-0.3	8.5	7.7	5.8
	2003	2.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.2	0.3	-0.7	0.0	2.5	2.2	0.9	8.1	7.6	6.0
2003	Jan	3.1	4.5	2.6	3.6	2.2	3.3	0.4	-2.2	0.7	2.3	3.1	1.3	8.3	7.5	5.8
	Feb	3.2	4.6	3.0	3.5	2.1	3.6	0.3	-2.4	0.6	3.5	3.4	0.7	8.2	7.5	5.9
	Mar	3.4	4.3	3.0	2.8	1.6	3.7	-0.6	-2.6	0.6	4.0	2.9	0.9	7.8	7.4	5.8
	Apr	2.3	3.0	2.2	1.8	1.4	2.1	-0.4	-1.6	-0.2	2.8	2.5	1.1	8.2	7.6	6.0
	May	1.9	2.9	2.1	2.1	1.9	2.4	0.1	-0.9	0.4	2.9	2.2	0.7	8.6	7.9	6.1
	Jun	1.7	2.6	2.1	3.0	1.4	1.9	1.3	-1.1	-0.2	1.7	2.1	1.0	8.2	7.7	6.3
	Jul	1.7	2.2	2.1	3.6	2.1	2.3	1.9	-0.1	0.2	1.7	1.8	0.8	8.5	7.7	6.2
	Aug	1.9	2.0	2.2	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.0	0.2	-0.4	1.2	1.3	0.6	8.6	8.0	6.1
	Sep	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.7	2.4	0.8	0.7	0.2	-1.5	0.9	1.4	0.2	8.9	7.9	6.1
	Oct	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.7	2.7	1.7	0.1	1.1	-0.4	2.8	1.7	0.7	7.8	7.6	6.0
	Nov	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.7	2.1	3.4	-0.9	0.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.4	7.5	7.5	5.9
	Dec	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.7	0.0	-1.3	0.7	-1.8	4.2	1.8	1.5	6.8	7.4	5.7
2004	Jan	1.5	1.2	1.9	-0.4	2.3	1.7	-1.9	1.1	-0.3	4.1	1.9	0.8	7.3	7.4	5.7
	Feb	1.4	0.7	1.7	0.8	3.0	2.3	-0.6	2.2	0.6	1.8	1.5	0.7	7.9	7.4	5.6
	Mar	0.8	0.7	1.7	-0.7	3.4	1.0	-1.5	2.7	-0.8	1.3	1.3	0.7	7.9	7.5	5.7
	Apr	1.7	1.6	2.3	-0.8	3.2	2.4	-2.4	1.6	0.1	1.3	1.7	0.7	7.7	7.3	5.5
	May	2.5	2.5	3.1	-1.8	2.6	3.6	-4.2	0.2	0.5	2.4	2.1	0.9	7.8	7.2	5.6
	Jun	2.8	2.5	3.3	-1.7	3.0	0.6	-4.4	0.5	-2.6	3.5	1.9	1.0	7.5	7.3	5.6
	Jul	2.4	2.3	3.0	-0.7	2.4	2.6	-3.0	0.1	-0.4	3.0	2.0	1.5	7.3	7.2	5.5
	Aug	2.0	1.9	2.7	0.4	2.4	3.3	-1.6	0.5	0.6	1.9	2.0	1.5	7.7	7.2	5.4
	Sep	1.9	1.8	2.5	1.4	2.4	2.0	-0.5	0.6	-0.5	2.7	2.0	1.4	7.1	7.1	5.4
	Oct	2.4	2.3	3.2	3.1	2.5	3.0	0.7	0.2	-0.2	2.0	1.8	1.3	6.9	7.1	5.5
	Nov	2.4	2.4	3.5	2.7	2.9	1.3	0.3	0.4	-2.2	2.0	1.5	1.3	6.4	7.3	5.4
	Dec				2.3	2.8	3.3				1.9	1.4	1.3	6.1	7.0	5.4

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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2.1 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	572.16		610.70		560.83		501.32		508.22		604.32		548.45		487.77		479.56		440.42		492.79	
1998	579.89		618.35		573.15		508.24		515.55		611.13		555.93		496.06		494.60		446.17		490.40	
1999	595.62		625.22		593.60		524.90		530.97		633.05		565.83		504.70		503.35		462.02		495.79	
2000	614.87	3.2	637.07	1.9	615.30	3.7	544.34	3.7	549.80	3.5	656.48	3.7	579.35	2.4	532.17	5.4	521.09	3.5	472.06	2.2	524.13	5.7
2001	634.30	3.2	645.70	1.4	651.14	5.8	572.13	5.1	559.28	1.7	678.12	3.3	595.09	2.7	536.18	0.8	540.89	3.8	496.51	5.2	550.29	5.0
2002	650.10	2.5	667.51	3.4	681.54	4.7	587.35	2.7	573.25	2.5	691.46	2.0	606.54	1.9	545.50	1.7	557.51	3.1	510.75	2.9	566.36	2.9
2003	663.48	2.1	683.48	2.4	685.87	0.6	607.27	3.4	585.04	2.1	704.03	1.8	620.84	2.4	561.71	3.0	575.07	3.1	538.71	5.5	588.04	3.8
2003 Jan	658.15	2.2	679.52	3.6	685.97	3.5	591.72	1.4	569.86	1.3	697.88	1.2	616.43	2.3	556.22	3.2	562.11	3.1	527.80	2.8	577.57	3.8
Feb	658.93	2.1	679.14	3.5	689.76	2.2	599.15	2.8	577.67	2.7	699.38	1.4	613.76	2.0	553.87	2.8	560.51	2.3	541.96	7.4	571.19	3.3
Mar	658.12	1.6	682.00	2.8	686.10	0.6	602.81	3.6	580.87	2.5	694.25	0.4	617.22	2.6	557.75	2.7	565.92	3.8	541.72	6.8	571.99	2.1
Apr	659.75	1.4	680.37	1.8	681.47	0.0	597.39	2.1	578.10	1.5	700.84	1.1	615.79	1.4	556.40	1.8	575.01	4.1	559.21	7.6	584.79	3.0
May	662.79	1.9	684.33	2.1	679.01	-1.0	597.66	2.1	578.69	1.6	703.47	2.0	622.41	2.4	560.16	3.1	586.28	4.7	542.54	5.0	590.15	2.6
Jun	659.76	1.4	688.57	3.0	677.05	-1.5	596.68	1.8	579.03	0.6	698.43	1.3	620.93	1.8	559.20	2.4	575.26	3.5	529.41	3.8	583.41	1.5
Jul	662.42	2.1	687.34	3.6	685.37	-0.2	607.89	3.5	588.73	0.8	700.11	1.7	623.38	2.4	553.83	1.4	581.42	3.6	530.05	6.5	581.63	7.6
Aug	666.46	2.2	687.38	2.9	693.12	1.9	610.43	2.7	590.38	0.8	704.38	1.9	626.88	2.2	568.10	4.0	579.49	1.6	532.46	5.5	584.29	5.4
Sep	669.59	2.4	686.99	2.7	690.32	0.1	610.41	2.7	592.41	0.9	712.46	2.5	625.76	2.7	569.07	3.6	578.17	2.2	542.36	6.6	602.12	4.9
Oct	668.63	2.7	683.06	1.7	694.43	2.2	619.43	4.3	597.05	4.1	710.45	2.5	623.77	3.1	563.33	2.9	576.33	3.2	539.19	6.1	602.85	2.9
Nov	667.89	2.1	682.88	0.7	685.77	0.0	626.98	6.7	592.49	4.1	711.46	2.3	621.19	2.4	573.47	5.2	577.00	2.9	542.07	4.8	607.62	4.2
Dec	668.75	2.7	679.72	0.5	682.17	0.1	625.95	7.0	594.83	3.9	714.83	3.3	621.81	3.0	568.21	2.7	580.75	2.9	539.92	3.3	596.22	4.2
2004 Jan	673.55	2.3	676.81	-0.4	691.69	0.8	634.29	7.2	600.26	5.3	721.32	3.4	625.05	1.4	575.06	3.4	579.73	3.1	555.84	5.3	585.57	1.4
Feb	678.61	3.0	684.78	0.8	690.81	0.2	647.81	8.1	606.58	5.0	728.28	4.1	629.14	2.5	571.17	3.1	583.28	4.1	560.76	3.5	582.03	1.9
Mar	680.53	3.4	677.22	-0.7	691.87	0.8	635.71	5.5	613.86	5.7	732.33	5.5	633.92	2.7	574.09	2.9	585.63	3.5	558.92	3.2	590.23	3.2
Apr	681.16	3.2	675.17	-0.8	692.26	1.6	631.18	5.7	621.78	7.6	731.09	4.3	637.67	3.6	576.07	3.5	590.33	2.7	561.16	0.3	603.85	3.3
May	680.24	2.6	671.73	-1.8	700.78	3.2	622.35	4.1	618.72	6.9	728.35	3.5	640.49	2.9	565.54	1.0	594.76	1.4	560.61	3.3	590.10	0.0
Jun	679.67	3.0	676.88	-1.7	697.70	3.0	626.10	4.9	618.07	6.7	724.57	3.7	644.59	3.8	562.75	0.6	592.36	3.0	565.77	6.9	584.93	0.3
Jul	678.57	2.4	682.85	-0.7	703.58	2.7	626.41	3.0	622.90	5.8	716.44	2.3	648.64	4.1	571.59	3.2	588.55	1.2	547.97	3.4	570.13	-2.0
Aug	682.29	2.4	690.10	0.4	714.42	3.1	624.29	2.3	619.65	5.0	717.75	1.9	651.77	4.0	572.91	0.8	593.85	2.5	557.51	4.7	584.40	0.0
Sep	685.60	2.4	696.72	1.4	710.66	2.9	619.16	1.4	612.11	3.3	724.47	1.7	653.16	4.4	578.88	1.7	592.41	2.5	565.17	4.2	594.98	-1.2
Oct	685.08	2.5	704.14	3.1	715.92	3.1	621.32	0.3	613.04	2.7	718.90	1.2	651.37	4.4	589.33	4.6	589.65	2.3	571.31	6.0	600.91	-0.3
Nov	687.28	2.9	701.27	2.7	714.74	4.2	620.45	-1.0	604.85	2.1	724.03	1.8	655.13	5.5	587.23	2.4	587.01	1.7	573.99	5.9	602.03	-0.9
Dec	687.28	2.8	695.57	2.3	718.31	5.3	614.71	-1.8	602.81	1.3	725.43	1.5	655.71	5.5	583.11	2.6	585.76	0.9	567.97	5.2	592.54	-0.6
Average:																						
Jan-Dec03	663.44		683.44		685.88		607.21		585.01		704.00		620.78		561.63		574.85		539.06		587.82	
Jan-Dec04	681.66		686.10		703.56		626.98		612.89		724.41		643.89		575.64		588.61		562.25		590.14	
% Change	2.7		0.4		2.6		3.3		4.8		2.9		3.7		2.5		2.4		4.3		0.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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2.2 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																						
1995																						
1996																						
1997	15.56		16.87		14.76		13.50		13.80		16.31		15.30		12.89		12.87		11.78		13.08	
1998	15.75		17.10		15.14		13.71		14.00		16.45		15.45		13.09		13.20		11.92		12.98	
1999	16.14		17.26		15.75		14.17		14.44		16.98		15.70		13.30		13.41		12.23		13.02	
2000	16.64	3.1	17.59	1.9	16.26	3.2	14.70	3.7	14.93	3.4	17.58	3.5	16.07	2.4	13.97	5.0	13.94	4.0	12.58	2.9	13.69	5.1
2001	17.18	3.2	17.93	1.9	17.07	5.0	15.36	4.5	15.27	2.3	18.16	3.3	16.59	3.2	14.16	1.4	14.45	3.7	13.22	5.1	14.32	4.6
2002	17.66	2.8	18.58	3.6	17.94	5.1	15.87	3.3	15.69	2.8	18.56	2.2	16.97	2.3	14.42	1.8	14.80	2.4	13.62	3.0	14.81	3.4
2003	18.06	2.3	19.03	2.4	18.09	0.8	16.46	3.7	15.99	1.9	18.93	2.0	17.46	2.9	14.78	2.5	15.43	4.3	14.47	6.2	15.41	4.1
2003 Jan	18.02	2.3	19.14	4.4	18.11	2.8	16.34	3.7	15.79	2.4	18.85	1.3	17.38	2.4	14.80	2.1	15.26	3.4	14.58	2.8	15.51	4.1
Feb	18.09	2.4	19.13	3.6	18.20	2.4	16.37	3.5	15.92	2.6	18.94	1.5	17.42	3.0	14.84	2.0	15.33	3.4	14.95	7.0	15.37	3.4
Mar	18.04	2.0	19.09	3.2	18.11	0.1	16.38	3.0	16.06	2.8	18.81	1.0	17.47	3.1	14.89	2.1	15.40	5.0	14.90	6.1	15.46	2.9
Apr	18.04	1.7	19.03	2.3	18.09	-0.2	16.35	2.8	15.87	1.4	18.90	1.6	17.39	1.9	14.87	2.1	15.45	4.7	15.01	7.2	15.70	4.5
May	17.99	2.2	18.99	2.2	17.85	-0.6	16.13	2.0	15.85	1.4	18.88	2.2	17.42	2.7	14.78	3.2	15.60	6.3	14.41	6.5	15.52	4.5
Jun	17.84	1.6	18.98	2.9	17.80	-1.2	16.07	1.6	15.76	-0.3	18.71	1.4	17.29	2.5	14.53	2.1	15.25	4.6	13.97	5.9	15.10	3.2
Jul	17.78	2.3	18.87	3.1	17.87	0.5	16.10	2.5	15.80	0.5	18.64	2.1	17.18	2.8	14.31	0.6	15.31	5.0	13.91	8.1	14.85	6.8
Aug	17.85	2.4	18.83	3.0	17.97	1.6	16.21	2.9	15.73	-0.1	18.72	2.2	17.29	2.6	14.56	2.8	15.21	2.9	13.91	6.8	14.84	4.6
Sep	18.23	2.6	19.12	2.7	18.33	0.9	16.71	4.6	16.18	1.6	19.15	2.6	17.59	3.0	14.78	2.4	15.43	2.6	14.37	6.7	15.39	2.7
Oct	18.27	2.9	19.08	1.6	18.47	2.4	16.75	4.5	16.21	2.9	19.13	2.6	17.71	3.6	14.83	2.3	15.50	4.1	14.45	7.1	15.69	3.2
Nov	18.27	2.4	19.04	0.3	18.28	1.4	17.06	6.8	16.25	3.5	19.15	2.2	17.64	3.2	15.15	4.6	15.67	4.1	14.85	7.4	15.92	4.8
Dec	18.34	2.9	19.06	0.1	18.06	0.3	17.10	6.9	16.44	4.3	19.29	3.4	17.71	3.4	15.14	3.4	15.79	4.8	14.78	3.5	15.83	4.4
2004 Jan	18.49	2.6	19.04	-0.5	18.32	1.2	17.26	5.6	16.71	5.8	19.49	3.4	17.77	2.2	15.41	4.1	15.82	3.7	15.29	4.9	15.73	1.4
Feb	18.60	2.8	19.18	0.3	18.19	-0.1	17.40	6.3	16.75	5.2	19.68	3.9	17.92	2.9	15.38	3.6	15.89	3.7	15.36	2.7	15.60	1.5
Mar	18.59	3.0	18.78	-1.6	18.28	0.9	17.26	5.4	16.93	5.4	19.69	4.7	18.00	3.0	15.32	2.9	15.89	3.2	15.47	3.8	15.91	2.9
Apr	18.60	3.1	18.76	-1.4	18.32	1.3	17.10	4.6	17.04	7.4	19.71	4.3	17.98	3.4	15.41	3.6	16.03	3.8	15.44	2.9	15.90	1.3
May	18.51	2.9	18.68	-1.6	18.53	3.8	16.77	4.0	16.91	6.7	19.58	3.7	18.00	3.3	15.00	1.5	15.82	1.4	14.66	1.7	15.50	-0.1
Jun	18.42	3.3	18.64	-1.8	18.52	4.0	16.79	4.5	16.85	6.9	19.44	3.9	17.98	4.0	14.85	2.2	15.68	2.8	14.75	5.6	15.17	0.5
Jul	18.24	2.6	18.63	-1.3	18.28	2.3	16.68	3.6	16.68	5.6	19.17	2.8	17.86	4.0	14.96	4.5	15.48	1.1	14.36	3.2	14.67	-1.2
Aug	18.28	2.4	18.79	-0.2	18.52	3.1	16.63	2.6	16.58	5.4	19.13	2.2	17.91	3.6	14.91	2.4	15.47	1.7	14.54	4.5	14.80	-0.3
Sep	18.61	2.1	19.14	0.1	18.78	2.5	16.86	0.9	16.74	3.5	19.51	1.9	18.21	3.5	15.23	3.0	15.82	2.5	14.94	4.0	15.29	-0.6
Oct	18.65	2.1	19.32	1.3	18.93	2.5	16.91	1.0	16.76	3.4	19.45	1.7	18.23	2.9	15.46	4.2	15.76	1.7	15.09	4.4	15.51	-1.1
Nov	18.74	2.6	19.44	2.1	18.96	3.7	16.85	-1.2	16.66	2.5	19.54	2.0	18.38	4.2	15.51	2.4	15.83	1.0	15.56	4.8	15.74	-1.1
Dec	18.79	2.5	19.41	1.8	19.01	5.3	16.80	-1.8	16.57	0.8	19.63	1.8	18.45	4.2	15.46	2.1	15.76	-0.2	15.53	5.1	15.70	-0.8
Average:																						
Jan-Dec03	18.06		19.03		18.10		16.46		15.99		18.93		17.46		14.79		15.43		14.51		15.43	
Jan-Dec04	18.54		18.98		18.55		16.94		16.77		19.50		18.06		15.24		15.77		15.08		15.46	
% Change	2.7		-0.2		2.5		2.9		4.9		3.0		3.4		3.1		2.2		4.0		0.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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2.3 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	13,111.7		1,754.0		1,331.6		455.7		509.5		5,039.2		3,100.6		300.2		373.3		55.4		192.2	
1995	13,356.9	1.9	1,792.3	2.2	1,369.3	2.8	459.4	0.8	519.0	1.9	5,130.6	1.8	3,147.5	1.5	309.9	3.2	377.1	1.0	57.3	3.4	194.3	1.1
1996	13,462.6	0.8	1,821.2	1.6	1,408.4	2.9	457.5	-0.4	518.6	-0.1	5,180.8	1.0	3,145.9	-0.1	306.2	-1.2	378.1	0.3	58.9	2.8	187.0	-3.8
1997	13,774.4	2.3	1,869.0	2.6	1,457.9	3.5	470.0	2.7	525.6	1.3	5,313.4	2.6	3,195.1	1.6	310.7	1.5	384.3	1.6	59.2	0.5	189.3	1.2
1998	14,140.4	2.7	1,870.2	0.1	1,515.4	3.9	476.3	1.3	535.7	1.9	5,490.0	3.3	3,281.5	2.7	317.8	2.3	398.9	3.8	60.4	2.0	194.2	2.6
1999	14,531.2	2.8	1,906.4	1.9	1,553.3	2.5	480.1	0.8	542.7	1.3	5,688.1	3.6	3,357.4	2.3	328.4	3.3	408.6	2.4	61.3	1.5	204.9	5.5
2000	14,909.7	2.6	1,949.1	2.2	1,588.2	2.2	485.0	1.0	554.4	2.2	5,872.1	3.2	3,437.7	2.4	334.4	1.8	419.5	2.7	64.5	5.2	204.6	-0.1
2001	15,076.8	1.1	1,942.4	-0.3	1,632.1	2.8	472.4	-2.6	557.9	0.6	5,962.7	1.5	3,474.5	1.1	334.4	0.0	423.3	0.9	65.9	2.2	211.3	3.3
2002	15,411.8	2.2	1,973.4	1.6	1,673.8	2.6	482.0	2.0	567.0	1.6	6,068.0	1.8	3,592.7	3.4	345.6	3.3	428.4	1.2	67.1	1.8	213.9	1.2
2003	15,746.0	2.2	2,023.3	2.5	1,721.7	2.9	486.8	1.0	568.7	0.3	6,228.5	2.6	3,649.9	1.6	345.0	-0.2	435.4	1.6	68.8	2.5	217.8	1.8
2003 Jan	15,266.3	3.2	1,944.5	2.4	1,667.5	2.5	475.5	3.7	555.4	0.3	6,080.7	3.7	3,534.3	3.7	329.7	2.6	417.7	1.9	61.4	2.8	199.6	2.1
Feb	15,375.7	3.5	1,971.3	3.6	1,677.4	3.3	475.5	2.3	556.6	1.0	6,120.1	3.9	3,564.4	3.6	329.6	2.5	417.4	2.7	62.1	2.5	201.1	3.2
Mar	15,424.0	3.0	1,998.2	4.0	1,680.2	2.5	477.1	2.4	559.7	0.0	6,134.7	3.7	3,557.9	2.1	331.4	1.4	419.9	2.4	62.3	1.3	202.6	1.9
Apr	15,478.7	2.5	1,993.9	2.9	1,678.9	2.9	477.2	2.8	564.4	1.3	6,142.9	3.2	3,595.5	1.7	330.4	-0.3	427.2	2.8	63.3	-1.1	205.1	0.2
May	15,799.6	2.1	2,015.6	2.7	1,726.4	3.4	493.7	1.6	577.3	1.5	6,251.3	2.9	3,663.6	0.8	338.9	-2.9	440.9	1.4	71.4	1.7	220.5	1.8
Jun	16,074.6	2.2	2,042.5	1.6	1,756.3	3.4	501.5	1.5	579.9	-0.1	6,312.2	3.0	3,753.3	1.2	362.1	0.5	451.4	2.3	77.3	6.3	238.0	3.7
Jul	16,090.4	1.8	2,055.8	1.6	1,756.0	2.2	500.3	1.2	579.1	0.4	6,309.0	2.5	3,755.4	0.8	365.7	0.4	451.1	1.9	75.7	4.7	242.4	0.7
Aug	16,048.7	1.3	2,059.9	1.2	1,751.9	2.1	499.3	0.6	578.5	0.7	6,326.3	1.6	3,710.3	0.8	360.3	-2.0	449.2	0.4	76.5	3.4	236.6	1.6
Sep	15,832.6	1.4	2,037.1	0.8	1,739.5	3.5	488.2	-1.1	567.3	-1.1	6,249.3	2.1	3,656.5	0.5	354.1	-1.5	440.4	1.5	72.3	0.8	228.1	3.2
Oct	15,870.0	1.6	2,057.7	2.8	1,736.8	3.3	486.6	-1.1	571.6	0.0	6,268.4	1.8	3,671.9	1.0	350.9	-1.0	437.2	0.6	70.4	2.0	218.5	2.0
Nov	15,856.8	1.8	2,041.7	2.7	1,741.4	2.6	483.9	-1.0	565.5	-0.4	6,268.8	1.5	3,693.6	2.4	348.4	-0.1	434.6	0.6	67.0	2.9	211.9	0.8
Dec	15,834.0	1.8	2,062.0	4.3	1,747.6	2.8	482.5	-0.4	568.6	-0.1	6,278.2	2.0	3,642.4	0.7	338.7	-0.9	438.6	1.6	66.4	3.8	208.9	0.4
2004 Jan	15,564.8	2.0	2,025.0	4.1	1,714.3	2.8	474.9	-0.1	560.2	0.9	6,201.0	2.0	3,570.4	1.0	331.2	0.5	421.6	0.9	62.9	2.4	203.3	1.9
Feb	15,598.7	1.5	2,000.8	1.5	1,722.4	2.7	477.0	0.3	562.9	1.1	6,218.2	1.6	3,597.1	0.9	331.6	0.6	423.2	1.4	63.1	1.6	202.3	0.6
Mar	15,624.2	1.3	2,017.8	1.0	1,725.3	2.7	477.3	0.0	566.2	1.2	6,190.7	0.9	3,615.3	1.6	332.9	0.5	428.5	2.0	63.6	2.1	206.7	2.0
Apr	15,735.7	1.7	2,016.8	1.1	1,725.0	2.7	483.0	1.2	568.7	0.8	6,230.5	1.4	3,673.0	2.2	333.5	0.9	435.2	1.9	63.2	-0.2	206.8	0.8
May	16,117.7	2.0	2,062.2	2.3	1,763.7	2.2	497.4	0.7	581.1	0.7	6,366.9	1.8	3,739.8	2.1	354.6	4.6	454.8	3.2	71.9	0.7	225.3	2.2
Jun	16,376.6	1.9	2,117.1	3.7	1,789.2	1.9	503.0	0.3	586.2	1.1	6,436.7	2.0	3,797.4	1.2	369.2	2.0	463.3	2.6	74.9	-3.1	239.6	0.7
Jul	16,407.3	2.0	2,116.9	3.0	1,772.0	0.9	499.9	-0.1	578.6	-0.1	6,453.1	2.3	3,817.2	1.6	374.1	2.3	466.2	3.3	75.9	0.3	253.4	4.5
Aug	16,337.8	1.8	2,102.2	2.1	1,781.6	1.7	498.5	-0.2	581.0	0.4	6,441.4	1.8	3,779.1	1.9	376.5	4.5	463.0	3.1	76.2	-0.4	238.2	0.7
Sep	16,144.1	2.0	2,094.7	2.8	1,769.5	1.7	493.4	1.1	581.1	2.4	6,334.5	1.4	3,752.2	2.6	367.8	3.9	450.3	2.2	72.8	0.7	227.9	-0.1
Oct	16,165.0	1.9	2,106.0	2.3	1,760.2	1.3	495.5	1.8	581.2	1.7	6,389.1	1.9	3,730.8	1.6	359.8	2.5	450.0	2.9	71.7	1.8	220.7	1.0
Nov	16,103.9	1.6	2,091.4	2.4	1,765.1	1.4	493.6	2.0	578.7	2.3	6,384.8	1.9	3,707.6	0.4	354.2	1.7	446.3	2.7	69.9	4.3	212.3	0.2
Dec	16,069.8	1.5	2,109.6	2.3	1,765.0	1.0	490.3	1.6	576.5	1.4	6,371.2	1.5	3,679.2	1.0	350.3	3.4	446.1	1.7	68.5	3.2	213.0	2.0
Average:																						
Jan-Dec03	15,746.0		2,023.4		1,721.7		486.8		568.7		6,228.5		3,649.9		345.0		435.5		68.8		217.8	
Jan-Dec04	16,020.5		2,071.7		1,754.4		490.3		575.2		6,334.8		3,704.9		353.0		445.7		69.6		220.8	
% Change	1.7		2.4		1.9		0.7		1.2		1.7		1.5		2.3		2.4		1.0		1.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

2.4 PROVINCIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	Canada		BC		Alberta		Sask		Manitoba		Ontario		Quebec		NB		NS		PEI		Nfld	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	34.2		33.2		35.6		35.6		34.1		34.3		33.9		35.0		34.0		34.7		33.2	
1995	34.0	-0.6	33.1	-0.3	35.3	-0.8	35.3	-0.8	33.9	-0.6	34.0	-0.9	33.5	-1.2	34.8	-0.6	33.8	-0.6	34.9	0.6	33.3	0.3
1996	34.2	0.6	33.1	0.0	35.7	1.1	35.8	1.4	34.3	1.2	34.4	1.2	33.4	-0.3	35.0	0.6	34.0	0.6	35.5	1.7	33.8	1.5
1997	34.2	0.0	33.0	-0.3	35.8	0.3	35.7	-0.3	34.5	0.6	34.5	0.3	33.4	0.0	35.0	0.0	34.1	0.3	35.3	-0.6	34.1	0.9
1998	33.9	-0.9	32.5	-1.5	34.8	-2.8	35.0	-2.0	34.3	-0.6	34.5	0.0	33.1	-0.9	34.8	-0.6	34.0	-0.3	34.7	-1.7	34.0	-0.3
1999	34.2	0.9	32.5	0.0	34.9	0.3	34.9	-0.3	34.2	-0.3	34.6	0.3	34.0	2.7	35.0	0.6	34.1	0.3	35.0	0.9	34.9	2.6
2000	34.5	0.9	33.3	2.5	35.7	2.3	35.2	0.9	34.5	0.9	34.8	0.6	33.8	-0.6	35.5	1.4	34.2	0.3	35.5	1.4	35.0	0.3
2001	33.8	-2.0	32.2	-3.3	35.6	-0.3	34.7	-1.4	34.0	-1.4	34.2	-1.7	32.7	-3.3	34.7	-2.3	33.8	-1.2	35.0	-1.4	34.6	-1.1
2002	33.4	-1.2	32.0	-0.6	34.7	-2.5	34.1	-1.7	33.2	-2.4	34.0	-0.6	32.6	-0.3	34.5	-0.6	33.3	-1.5	34.6	-1.1	34.2	-1.2
2003	32.9	-1.5	31.7	-0.9	34.6	-0.3	33.6	-1.5	33.2	0.0	33.2	-2.4	31.9	-2.1	34.1	-1.2	32.8	-1.5	33.9	-2.0	33.3	-2.6
2003 Jan	34.0	-0.3	32.2	-1.5	3[illegible]	0.3	33.0	-3.2	33.7	-1.2	34.6	-0.3	33.4	0.3	34.8	-0.3	33.7	-0.3	33.7	2.7	34.2	1.8
Feb	33.9	-0.3	32.7	0.0	35.0	0.6	33.0	-3.8	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-0.3	33.1	-0.6	34.4	0.0	32.9	-2.9	32.7	-0.3	32.9	-1.5
Mar	33.0	-1.2	32.8	-0.3	35.8	0.3	34.3	-0.9	33.8	-0.9	32.1	-1.8	33.2	-1.2	34.9	1.5	31.0	-2.2	33.4	1.8	33.4	-1.8
Apr	30.2	-13.0	29.0	-12.4	31.7	-11.5	30.9	-12.5	30.1	-13.3	30.3	-13.9	30.0	-12.3	31.2	-11.1	29.9	-12.3	30.0	-13.3	29.6	-14.5
May	34.5	-1.1	33.2	-0.6	35.8	-0.3	37.2	-0.5	34.9	0.9	34.6	-1.4	33.9	-1.2	35.5	-0.8	35.3	1.1	37.2	-1.8	35.0	-1.7
Jun	34.7	-1.4	33.5	0.3	36.0	-0.6	36.1	1.1	34.9	0.9	34.9	-2.0	33.8	-2.3	36.0	-0.6	35.6	-0.3	37.9	-2.1	36.4	-2.9
Jul	31.3	1.0	31.6	0.6	34.4	3.0	32.2	-1.2	32.2	2.2	32.4	0.6	26.9	1.9	33.7	0.6	32.7	-0.9	33.5	-3.7	33.4	-0.9
Aug	30.6	-2.5	30.5	-0.3	33.1	3.8	33.2	4.1	32.6	6.9	30.1	-6.2	29.3	-3.3	33.3	0.3	31.5	-1.3	33.7	-2.0	32.0	-0.3
Sep	34.6	-0.9	33.3	0.9	35.9	-1.1	35.3	-2.8	35.1	0.0	35.0	-0.8	33.6	-1.8	35.8	-1.6	35.0	-0.3	36.7	0.3	35.1	-0.8
Oct	30.7	0.7	29.8	2.8	32.6	0.3	32.2	1.3	31.9	3.2	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.3	0.0	31.0	0.6	32.2	-1.8	31.5	-2.5
Nov	32.8	-0.6	29.7	1.4	33.1	0.6	30.8	-0.3	30.7	1.0	34.3	-0.9	32.9	-1.5	32.3	-0.6	30.5	-1.6	31.1	-2.2	31.7	-3.1
Dec	34.2	-0.9	32.7	1.9	35.9	-0.8	34.5	0.6	34.4	0.3	34.7	-1.1	33.4	-2.3	34.5	-2.5	34.2	0.6	33.0	-2.9	34.4	-1.1
2004 Jan	33.8	-0.6	32.4	0.6	35.8	0.8	33.8	2.4	33.6	-0.3	34.4	-0.6	32.8	-1.8	33.9	-2.6	32.3	-4.2	32.0	-5.0	33.0	-3.5
Feb	33.5	-1.2	33.4	2.1	34.4	-1.7	32.0	-3.0	33.5	0.0	34.3	-0.6	32.9	-0.6	33.6	-2.3	26.9	-18.2	26.9	-17.7	33.0	0.3
Mar	32.8	-0.6	31.6	-3.7	35.8	0.0	34.2	-0.3	34.2	1.2	32.3	0.6	32.9	-0.9	34.4	-1.4	30.5	-1.6	29.9	-10.5	33.3	-0.3
Apr	32.0	6.0	31.1	7.2	33.2	4.7	32.2	4.2	33.2	10.3	33.1	9.2	30.0	0.0	32.5	4.2	31.4	5.0	31.2	4.0	28.2	-4.7
May	34.9	1.2	33.4	0.6	36.0	0.6	36.6	-1.6	34.4	-1.4	35.5	2.6	33.9	0.0	35.0	-1.4	35.5	0.6	37.6	1.1	35.0	0.0
Jun	34.9	0.6	33.8	0.9	36.1	0.3	36.1	0.0	35.4	1.4	35.3	1.1	33.8	0.0	35.2	-2.2	35.0	-1.7	37.2	-1.8	36.6	0.5
Jul	31.9	1.9	32.2	1.9	34.1	-0.9	32.3	0.3	32.2	0.0	32.0	-1.2	30.2	12.3	32.6	-3.3	32.2	-1.5	33.8	0.9	34.6	3.6
Aug	31.9	4.2	30.7	0.7	33.8	2.1	32.7	-1.5	31.5	-3.4	32.4	7.6	30.5	4.1	32.7	-1.8	31.7	0.6	33.2	-1.5	31.8	-0.6
Sep	34.8	0.6	34.0	2.1	36.5	1.7	35.5	0.6	34.6	-1.4	35.1	0.3	33.8	0.6	35.9	0.3	34.8	-0.6	36.0	-1.9	35.0	-0.3
Oct	30.7	0.0	30.3	1.7	32.9	0.9	32.4	0.6	31.3	-1.9	30.7	0.0	29.5	0.0	32.2	-0.3	30.8	-0.6	31.3	-2.8	32.5	3.2
Nov	32.8	0.0	30.5	2.7	33.1	0.0	31.0	0.6	30.5	-0.7	34.0	-0.9	32.9	0.0	31.8	-1.5	30.2	-1.0	30.9	-0.6	31.7	0.0
Dec	34.5	0.9	33.7	3.1	36.2	0.8	34.5	0.0	34.5	0.3	34.9	0.6	33.6	0.6	35.0	1.4	34.5	0.9	33.8	2.4	34.9	1.5
Average:																						
Jan-Dec03	32.9		31.8		34.6		33.6		33.2		33.2		31.9		34.1		32.8		33.8		33.3	
Jan-Dec04	33.2		32.3		34.8		33.6		33.2		33.7		32.2		33.7		32.2		32.8		33.3	
% Change	1.0		1.6		0.7		0.1		0.3		1.5		1.0		-1.0		-1.9		-2.8		0.0	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.1 B.C. SECTOR COMPARISON - EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

		Average Weekly Wage rate				Average Hourly Wage Rate				Employment (Actual)				Average Weekly Hours Worked*			
		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries		Goods Industries		Service Industries	
		$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
	1994									377.6		1,194.9					
	1995									372.0	-1.5	1,248.3	4.5				
	1996									384.5	3.4	1,291.4	3.5				
	1997	731.22		577.55		18.49		16.43		417.8	8.7	1,451.2	12.4	36.3		32.0	
	1998	752.32		581.06		18.96		16.58		408.9	-2.1	1,461.2	0.7	36.0		31.5	
	1999	760.87		590.55		19.16		16.77		396.5	-3.0	1,509.9	3.3	36.2		31.5	
	2000	764.47	0.5	603.71	2.2	19.25	0.5	17.15	2.3	414.4	4.5	1,534.7	1.6	36.9	1.9	32.3	2.5
	2001	781.71	2.3	612.24	1.4	19.62	1.9	17.51	2.1	392.0	-5.4	1,550.4	1.0	36.2	-1.9	31.2	-3.4
	2002	787.15	0.7	637.75	4.2	19.89	1.4	18.25	4.2	399.0	1.8	1,574.4	1.5	35.8	-1.1	31.0	-0.6
	2003	809.42	2.8	651.16	2.1	20.47	2.9	18.66	2.2	421.8	5.7	1,601.5	1.7	35.6	-0.6	30.7	-1.0
2003	Jan	814.79	2.0	646.72	3.8	20.77	2.9	18.74	4.7	394.4	9.0	1,550.0	0.8	36.7	2.2	31.0	-3.1
	Feb	805.91	-0.9	647.82	4.7	20.40	-1.3	18.81	4.8	402.5	10.0	1,568.8	2.0	37.5	3.6	31.5	-0.9
	Mar	811.45	-1.2	648.86	3.7	20.46	-1.4	18.73	4.2	421.8	13.1	1,576.4	1.9	37.5	3.6	31.5	-1.6
	Apr	821.04	1.5	644.59	1.6	20.61	0.8	18.62	2.5	411.7	9.3	1,582.2	1.3	31.7	-13.2	28.3	-12.4
	May	814.95	1.2	649.08	1.9	20.52	1.7	18.57	2.1	431.4	10.6	1,584.2	0.8	37.4	-1.6	32.1	-0.6
	Jun	828.09	6.3	651.05	1.5	20.57	4.6	18.55	2.3	437.7	7.8	1,604.9	0.0	37.4	-1.3	32.4	0.3
	Jul	803.80	6.5	654.50	2.4	20.23	6.5	18.49	2.0	451.3	6.3	1,604.4	0.4	35.9	-0.8	30.4	0.7
	Aug	811.05	6.8	653.78	1.6	20.45	7.5	18.39	1.7	444.4	3.0	1,615.4	0.7	35.6	-1.9	29.1	0.0
	Sep	814.29	6.9	654.40	1.5	20.53	5.6	18.76	2.0	421.5	-0.2	1,615.6	1.1	37.7	1.6	32.1	0.6
	Oct	797.31	3.4	653.37	1.3	20.29	4.3	18.77	0.9	433.8	2.5	1,623.9	2.8	32.1	0.6	29.1	3.2
	Nov	788.24	-0.5	657.72	1.2	20.29	0.9	18.74	0.2	407.1	-0.4	1,634.5	3.5	31.8	-0.6	29.1	1.7
	Dec	800.35	0.8	651.56	0.5	20.52	1.6	18.72	-0.2	404.3	0.3	1,657.6	5.3	35.4	-1.9	32.1	3.2
2004	Jan	809.08	-0.7	645.20	-0.2	20.55	-1.1	18.68	-0.3	410.6	4.1	1,614.4	4.2	35.6	-3.0	31.6	1.9
	Feb	794.66	-1.4	657.88	1.6	20.11	-1.4	18.95	0.7	405.2	0.7	1,595.6	1.7	37.6	0.3	32.4	2.9
	Mar	773.33	-4.7	653.83	0.8	19.57	-4.3	18.59	-0.7	409.2	-3.0	1,608.6	2.0	36.1	-3.7	30.4	-3.5
	Apr	778.88	-5.1	649.17	0.7	19.71	-4.4	18.53	-0.5	418.1	1.6	1,598.7	1.0	35.2	11.0	30.1	6.4
	May	762.83	-6.4	648.02	-0.2	19.28	-6.0	18.53	-0.2	435.3	0.9	1,627.0	2.7	37.3	-0.3	32.3	0.6
	Jun	778.62	-6.0	650.04	-0.2	19.25	-6.4	18.48	-0.4	458.1	4.7	1,659.0	3.4	38.7	3.5	32.5	0.3
	Jul	789.55	-1.8	653.70	-0.1	19.56	-3.3	18.37	-0.6	468.9	3.9	1,648.0	2.7	37.0	3.1	30.8	1.3
	Aug	790.20	-2.6	662.98	1.4	19.52	-4.5	18.59	1.1	465.7	4.8	1,636.5	1.3	36.1	1.4	29.2	0.3
	Sep	813.55	-0.1	666.05	1.8	20.22	-1.5	18.86	0.5	451.1	7.0	1,643.6	1.7	38.2	1.3	32.9	2.5
	Oct	813.59	2.0	674.76	3.3	20.38	0.4	19.04	1.4	461.6	6.4	1,644.4	1.3	33.4	4.0	29.4	1.0
	Nov	813.99	3.3	671.78	2.1	20.44	0.7	19.18	2.3	443.9	9.0	1,647.5	0.8	34.0	6.9	29.6	1.7
	Dec	801.85	0.2	669.24	2.7	20.44	-0.4	19.15	2.3	438.9	8.6	1,670.6	0.8	37.4	5.6	32.8	2.2
Average:																	
Jan-Dec03		809.27		651.12		20.47		18.66		421.8		1,601.5		35.6		30.7	
Jan-Dec04		793.34		658.55		19.92		18.75		438.9		1,632.8		36.4		31.2	
% Change		-2.0		1.1		-2.7		0.5		4.0		2.0		2.3		1.4	

* Average Actual Hours, Alll Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	731.22		420.13		894.78		891.93		732.70		683.52	
1998	752.32		448.40		899.96		966.88		745.78		726.71	
1999	760.87		523.44		943.85		912.70		752.92		703.72	
2000	764.47	0.5	444.25	-15.1	945.25	0.1	952.39	4.3	747.87	-0.7	735.53	4.5
2001	781.71	2.3	463.87	4.4	978.77	3.5	948.30	-0.4	760.11	1.6	789.31	7.3
2002	787.15	0.7	455.60	-1.8	954.17	-2.5	981.35	3.5	782.35	2.9	777.95	-1.4
2003	809.42	2.8	478.02	4.9	969.28	1.6	1070.93	9.1	804.39	2.8	781.00	0.4
2003 Jan	814.79	2.0	413.24	-15.6	966.58	1.6	1050.41	20.2	810.72	2.7	808.70	2.1
Feb	805.91	-0.9	434.51	-16.5	955.64	2.5	1002.61	12.3	797.68	-2.3	821.55	3.7
Mar	811.45	-1.2	472.28	-8.3	996.15	4.2	1080.61	16.6	794.78	-2.2	803.35	-2.8
Apr	821.04	1.5	444.01	-13.4	1061.44	9.0	1061.08	18.1	805.85	1.5	797.70	-3.7
May	814.95	1.2	460.86	-7.0	975.25	0.9	1030.88	0.6	817.48	3.8	780.98	-5.0
Jun	828.09	6.3	500.60	16.6	933.74	-2.7	1072.67	2.2	834.91	9.9	797.67	0.5
Jul	803.80	6.5	479.47	10.1	944.43	3.2	1086.46	4.1	801.41	8.1	776.97	1.2
Aug	811.05	6.8	495.95	16.8	943.58	-3.2	1096.69	13.7	814.53	7.0	791.76	6.3
Sep	814.29	6.9	548.94	27.2	954.11	7.3	1052.20	9.0	814.84	4.2	768.85	5.3
Oct	797.31	3.4	473.57	4.8	971.26	2.3	1091.66	8.0	797.38	3.6	723.81	-3.7
Nov	788.24	-0.5	464.99	12.2	969.14	-3.2	1086.15	-0.5	781.74	-0.4	734.15	-3.8
Dec	800.35	0.8	561.40	31.7	963.27	-2.4	1154.31	14.5	778.05	-2.5	781.18	3.8
2004 Jan	809.08	-0.7	468.45	13.4	978.14	1.2	1088.75	3.7	803.26	-0.9	784.16	-3.0
Feb	794.66	-1.4	516.50	18.9	955.49	0.0	1100.30	9.7	785.86	-1.5	787.49	-4.1
Mar	773.33	-4.7	498.44	5.5	1008.90	1.3	1073.89	-0.6	746.48	-6.1	790.80	-1.6
Apr	778.88	-5.1	496.90	11.9	978.99	-7.8	962.24	-9.3	772.83	-4.1	794.07	-0.5
May	762.83	-6.4	486.07	5.5	983.25	0.8	1007.08	-2.3	766.53	-6.2	736.90	-5.6
Jun	778.62	-6.0	517.76	3.4	983.39	5.3	962.76	-10.2	775.31	-7.1	770.34	-3.4
Jul	789.55	-1.8	507.43	5.8	1003.41	6.2	957.32	-11.9	800.31	-0.1	756.87	-2.6
Aug	790.20	-2.6	506.45	2.1	1027.80	8.9	1041.74	-5.0	775.29	-4.8	790.43	-0.2
Sep	813.55	-0.1	486.33	-11.4	1088.48	14.1	1115.25	6.0	800.44	-1.8	806.35	4.9
Oct	813.59	2.0	463.57	-2.1	1121.84	15.5	933.24	-14.5	814.66	2.2	798.07	10.3
Nov	813.99	3.3	478.33	2.9	1017.01	4.9	846.75	-22.0	823.70	5.4	805.35	9.7
Dec	801.85	0.2	511.73	-8.8	1050.30	9.0	927.61	-19.6	801.47	3.0	781.83	0.1
Average:												
Jan-Dec03	809.27		479.15		969.55		1072.14		804.11		782.22	
Jan-Dec04	793.34		494.83		1016.42		1001.41		788.85		783.56	
% Change	-2.0		3.3		4.8		-6.6		-1.9		0.2	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.2B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	577.55		698.91		488.36		588.80		729.15		737.44		602.04		315.19		785.62		610.70	
1998	581.06		719.69		480.92		628.57		748.58		723.86		609.43		327.95		765.87		618.35	
1999	590.55		732.75		501.74		621.67		772.66		734.84		621.61		318.19		790.98		625.22	
2000	603.71	2.2	729.81	-0.4	489.50	-2.4	676.38	8.8	774.88	0.3	765.18	4.1	632.59	1.8	340.65	7.1	813.52	2.8	637.07	1.9
2001	612.24	1.4	769.81	5.5	486.24	-0.7	682.12	0.8	807.48	4.2	742.77	-2.9	660.47	4.4	345.47	1.4	824.16	1.3	645.70	1.4
2002	637.75	4.2	801.70	4.1	504.98	3.9	731.66	7.3	851.49	5.5	776.17	4.5	691.07	4.6	337.39	-2.3	891.09	8.1	667.51	3.4
2003	651.16	2.1	802.89	0.1	519.97	3.0	729.26	-0.3	854.90	0.4	795.04	2.4	711.01	2.9	352.79	4.6	908.98	2.0	683.48	2.4
2003 Jan	646.72	3.8	819.23	8.5	521.24	6.8	733.33	11.8	917.16	14.1	761.97	-0.3	694.53	2.6	338.02	27.8	890.10	3.3	679.52	3.6
Feb	647.82	4.7	860.36	10.0	517.40	10.1	729.63	4.3	902.73	8.3	733.93	-2.5	683.32	2.8	350.31	32.7	892.05	-1.4	679.14	3.5
Mar	648.86	3.7	807.26	2.0	513.78	2.2	760.09	8.6	844.95	2.2	764.90	-0.8	692.54	0.2	379.30	42.7	892.60	-1.2	682.00	2.8
Apr	644.59	1.6	780.31	-3.6	499.74	-0.2	749.48	3.7	877.68	2.9	768.02	-2.6	701.63	1.6	357.46	36.9	924.19	3.4	680.37	1.8
May	649.08	1.9	804.66	-2.3	514.18	1.6	747.84	3.3	868.27	3.3	805.62	2.3	681.62	-0.7	345.61	25.8	906.52	3.8	684.33	2.1
Jun	651.05	1.5	781.14	-2.9	521.98	0.8	712.44	-4.8	837.42	2.8	832.26	10.0	712.95	3.2	360.62	32.1	895.29	2.2	688.57	3.0
Jul	654.50	2.4	815.63	-0.1	510.09	-2.2	708.94	-4.3	826.55	1.3	866.04	9.2	730.07	6.1	376.44	42.7	901.28	0.0	687.34	3.6
Aug	653.78	1.6	770.24	-5.6	516.55	-0.7	726.38	-3.6	840.92	-0.4	862.98	5.4	732.35	2.5	372.24	37.4	909.63	5.5	687.38	2.9
Sep	654.40	1.5	806.19	-3.6	537.74	6.4	719.66	-4.4	849.86	-0.2	813.55	7.8	721.22	2.5	332.27	22.7	920.29	3.7	686.99	2.7
Oct	653.37	1.3	790.18	-1.0	533.93	6.7	704.10	-4.4	820.61	-8.9	795.34	1.2	736.26	7.4	328.93	24.1	918.86	2.1	683.06	1.7
Nov	657.72	1.2	814.57	3.1	534.17	4.3	713.59	-8.7	822.32	-9.8	804.52	4.1	724.66	2.9	337.65	29.3	922.70	1.0	682.88	0.7
Dec	651.56	0.5	781.60	-1.3	519.19	2.3	747.71	-0.5	867.12	-6.3	769.72	-1.0	723.31	4.0	353.32	35.1	927.73	1.3	679.72	0.5
2004 Jan	645.20	-0.2	751.78	-8.2	486.28	-6.7	736.66	0.5	844.47	-7.9	756.58	-0.7	739.17	6.4	365.83	8.2	928.92	4.4	676.81	-0.4
Feb	657.88	1.6	749.70	-12.9	523.91	1.3	747.70	2.5	825.38	-8.6	816.62	11.3	766.85	12.2	341.43	-2.5	913.80	2.4	684.78	0.8
Mar	653.83	0.8	732.83	-9.2	526.20	2.4	775.91	2.1	821.81	-2.7	787.70	3.0	753.05	8.7	356.57	-6.0	888.59	-0.4	677.22	-0.7
Apr	649.17	0.7	742.37	-4.9	516.55	3.4	743.24	-0.8	806.71	-8.1	780.83	1.7	749.63	6.8	366.09	2.4	895.78	-3.1	675.17	-0.8
May	648.02	-0.2	744.04	-7.5	504.83	-1.8	744.10	-0.5	847.88	-2.3	787.24	-2.3	749.65	10.0	363.11	5.1	894.57	-1.3	671.73	-1.8
Jun	650.04	-0.2	756.59	-3.1	528.52	1.3	726.45	2.0	782.72	-6.5	818.67	-1.6	720.11	1.0	370.89	2.8	897.12	0.2	676.88	-1.7
Jul	653.70	-0.1	804.58	-1.4	535.44	5.0	720.56	1.6	793.69	-4.0	877.60	1.3	701.47	-3.9	364.79	-3.1	901.28	0.0	682.85	-0.7
Aug	662.98	1.4	823.94	7.0	517.24	0.1	704.29	-3.0	827.29	-1.6	949.16	10.0	715.72	-2.3	366.66	-1.5	899.02	-1.2	690.10	0.4
Sep	666.05	1.8	831.91	3.2	526.53	-2.1	703.31	-2.3	866.90	2.0	860.23	5.7	689.16	-4.4	366.27	10.2	913.52	-0.7	696.72	1.4
Oct	674.76	3.3	880.06	11.4	529.15	-0.9	687.95	-2.3	898.15	9.4	835.62	5.1	735.34	-0.1	362.61	10.2	942.42	2.6	704.14	3.1
Nov	671.78	2.1	849.13	4.2	528.55	-1.1	707.60	-0.8	836.39	1.7	829.69	3.1	735.26	1.5	375.32	11.2	929.82	0.8	701.27	2.7
Dec	669.24	2.7	821.87	5.2	516.02	-0.6	715.84	-4.3	853.38	-1.6	838.34	8.9	746.68	3.2	358.08	1.3	956.96	3.2	695.57	2.3
Average:																				
Jan-Dec03	651.12		802.61		520.00		729.43		856.30		798.24		711.21		352.68		908.44		683.44	
Jan-Dec04	658.55		790.73		519.94		726.13		833.73		828.19		733.51		363.14		913.48		686.10	
% Change	1.1		-1.5		0.0		-0.5		-2.6		3.8		3.1		3.0		0.6		0.4	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994												
1995												
1996												
1997	18.49		11.48		21.41		23.58		18.46		17.80	
1998	18.96		12.03		21.20		25.27		18.88		18.59	
1999	19.16		13.77		21.91		24.03		19.06		18.20	
2000	19.25	0.5	11.37	-17.4	22.71	3.7	24.74	3.0	18.90	-0.8	18.89	3.8
2001	19.62	1.9	11.93	4.9	22.94	1.0	24.81	0.3	19.22	1.7	19.98	5.8
2002	19.89	1.4	11.73	-1.7	22.35	-2.6	25.95	4.6	19.82	3.1	20.00	0.1
2003	20.47	2.9	12.73	8.5	23.19	3.8	28.08	8.2	20.38	2.8	19.93	-0.4
2003 Jan	20.77	2.9	12.42	1.0	23.42	4.6	27.54	18.3	20.61	4.2	20.72	-1.0
Feb	20.40	-1.3	12.24	-9.2	23.47	8.9	26.71	12.9	20.15	-2.9	20.65	-0.3
Mar	20.46	-1.4	12.66	-6.1	23.57	7.5	27.44	8.4	20.19	-1.7	20.44	-4.7
Apr	20.61	0.8	12.07	-13.2	24.88	7.4	27.61	15.0	20.37	1.4	20.08	-4.6
May	20.52	1.7	11.56	-10.2	23.45	4.0	27.03	2.2	20.66	4.2	19.77	-4.7
Jun	20.57	4.6	12.57	9.7	21.98	-3.6	28.19	5.0	20.84	7.8	19.84	-0.8
Jul	20.23	6.5	11.97	7.1	22.52	6.4	28.71	4.3	20.29	7.2	19.72	2.5
Aug	20.45	7.5	12.55	22.7	22.40	-1.4	29.41	14.5	20.60	7.2	20.07	6.7
Sep	20.53	5.6	13.75	28.5	23.39	8.0	28.58	10.3	20.40	3.1	19.77	2.4
Oct	20.29	4.3	13.82	23.8	23.36	6.5	28.14	4.5	20.17	3.1	18.97	-1.5
Nov	20.29	0.9	13.94	28.1	22.72	-2.2	28.24	-0.9	20.21	1.0	19.16	-3.1
Dec	20.52	1.6	14.93	27.2	23.30	-0.3	29.83	11.4	20.02	-0.9	20.27	2.9
2004 Jan	20.55	-1.1	14.18	14.2	24.23	3.5	28.48	3.4	20.23	-1.8	20.08	-3.1
Feb	20.11	-1.4	13.03	6.5	23.02	-1.9	29.60	10.8	19.95	-1.0	19.97	-3.3
Mar	19.57	-4.3	13.07	3.2	23.02	-2.3	28.19	2.7	19.24	-4.7	19.74	-3.4
Apr	19.71	-4.4	12.65	4.8	24.13	-3.0	25.10	-9.1	19.71	-3.2	19.82	-1.3
May	19.28	-6.0	11.96	3.5	24.29	3.6	26.22	-3.0	19.33	-6.4	18.86	-4.6
Jun	19.25	-6.4	12.25	-2.5	23.27	5.9	24.30	-13.8	19.37	-7.1	19.06	-3.9
Jul	19.56	-3.3	11.86	-0.9	23.74	5.4	24.43	-14.9	19.86	-2.1	19.22	-2.5
Aug	19.52	-4.5	11.97	-4.6	23.10	3.1	25.16	-14.5	19.58	-5.0	19.65	-2.1
Sep	20.22	-1.5	12.46	-9.4	24.23	3.6	26.31	-7.9	20.40	0.0	19.97	1.0
Oct	20.38	0.4	12.31	-10.9	25.51	9.2	24.29	-13.7	20.56	1.9	20.17	6.3
Nov	20.44	0.7	12.97	-7.0	23.98	5.5	23.09	-18.2	20.62	2.0	20.44	6.7
Dec	20.44	-0.4	13.65	-8.6	24.55	5.4	25.46	-14.6	20.41	1.9	20.32	0.2
Average:												
Jan-Dec03	20.47		12.87		23.21		28.12		20.38		19.96	
Jan-Dec04	19.92		12.70		23.92		25.89		19.94		19.78	
% Change	-2.7		-1.4		3.1		-7.9		-2.1		-0.9	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

Produced by: BC STATS

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.3B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE HOURLY WAGE RATE

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg	$	% Chg
1994																				
1995																				
1996																				
1997	16.43		18.17		13.55		16.11		19.02		22.52		18.46		10.10		21.16		16.87	
1998	16.58		18.64		13.57		17.22		19.59		22.16		18.65		10.40		20.92		17.10	
1999	16.77		19.00		14.07		17.02		20.39		21.94		18.89		10.27		21.54		17.26	
2000	17.15	2.3	18.69	-1.6	13.95	-0.9	18.40	8.1	20.29	-0.5	23.06	5.1	19.25	1.9	10.84	5.6	21.85	1.4	17.59	1.9
2001	17.51	2.1	19.98	6.9	13.94	-0.1	18.65	1.4	21.41	5.5	22.67	-1.7	20.17	4.8	10.97	1.2	22.51	3.0	17.93	1.9
2002	18.25	4.2	20.35	1.9	14.53	4.2	19.93	6.9	22.50	5.1	23.61	4.1	21.06	4.4	11.15	1.6	23.95	6.4	18.58	3.6
2003	18.66	2.2	20.37	0.1	14.88	2.4	19.81	-0.6	22.57	0.3	24.31	3.0	21.98	4.4	11.31	1.4	24.46	2.1	19.03	2.4
2003 Jan	18.74	4.7	20.81	7.3	15.11	5.8	20.06	11.9	24.27	15.1	24.18	2.6	21.64	4.4	11.43	5.7	24.13	3.3	19.14	4.4
Feb	18.81	4.8	21.57	7.2	15.02	9.3	20.27	6.7	24.02	10.2	23.63	-0.5	21.37	4.8	11.35	3.5	23.96	-1.0	19.13	3.6
Mar	18.73	4.2	20.60	4.5	14.90	2.8	20.51	5.7	23.05	4.1	24.15	3.0	21.40	3.7	11.93	7.3	23.92	-1.3	19.09	3.2
Apr	18.62	2.5	20.34	-0.3	14.48	0.4	20.30	3.4	23.63	4.4	24.38	2.5	21.52	3.6	11.38	1.4	24.44	1.1	19.03	2.3
May	18.57	2.1	20.27	-0.9	14.85	2.2	19.88	1.4	22.82	2.5	24.27	2.0	21.49	2.9	11.23	-1.9	23.79	0.9	18.99	2.2
Jun	18.55	2.3	20.24	-1.3	14.75	1.5	19.50	-2.8	22.41	3.2	24.79	11.7	21.76	3.3	11.14	-5.3	23.80	0.9	18.98	2.9
Jul	18.49	2.0	20.67	1.9	14.50	-1.8	19.69	-4.8	21.81	-0.5	25.28	10.9	22.30	5.3	11.33	2.2	23.95	-0.4	18.87	3.1
Aug	18.39	1.7	19.42	-5.4	14.56	-1.0	19.72	-2.2	21.85	-2.2	24.64	6.7	22.54	5.1	11.22	2.9	24.54	5.1	18.83	3.0
Sep	18.76	2.0	20.20	-3.9	15.13	3.8	19.40	-3.4	21.83	-2.1	25.14	8.3	22.68	5.4	10.99	2.3	24.86	4.1	19.12	2.7
Oct	18.77	0.9	20.04	-2.5	15.07	3.9	19.41	-4.9	21.44	-8.5	24.42	-0.2	22.53	5.5	10.90	-1.9	25.06	4.2	19.08	1.6
Nov	18.74	0.2	20.23	-1.1	15.19	2.2	19.17	-8.8	21.67	-9.5	23.82	-2.5	22.16	3.2	11.35	1.4	25.27	3.5	19.04	0.3
Dec	18.72	-0.2	19.97	-3.0	14.94	1.1	19.93	-4.0	22.75	-7.4	23.43	-4.5	22.40	5.4	11.53	1.4	25.48	3.7	19.06	0.1
2004 Jan	18.68	-0.3	19.39	-6.8	14.47	-4.2	20.02	-0.2	22.20	-8.5	23.48	-2.9	22.61	4.5	11.78	3.1	25.22	4.5	19.04	-0.5
Feb	18.95	0.7	19.42	-10.0	15.48	3.1	20.48	1.0	21.61	-10.0	24.88	5.3	22.87	7.0	11.51	1.4	24.73	3.2	19.18	0.3
Mar	18.59	-0.7	18.82	-8.6	15.04	0.9	20.69	0.9	21.54	-6.6	24.14	0.0	22.32	4.3	11.54	-3.3	24.15	1.0	18.78	-1.6
Apr	18.53	-0.5	19.20	-5.6	15.00	3.6	20.56	1.3	21.58	-8.7	23.95	-1.8	21.99	2.2	11.62	2.1	24.44	0.0	18.76	-1.4
May	18.53	-0.2	19.56	-3.5	14.54	-2.1	19.92	0.2	22.78	-0.2	24.19	-0.3	22.20	3.3	11.56	2.9	24.44	2.7	18.68	-1.6
Jun	18.48	-0.4	19.77	-2.3	14.98	1.6	19.83	1.7	21.01	-6.2	24.72	-0.3	21.54	-1.0	11.72	5.2	24.64	3.5	18.64	-1.8
Jul	18.37	-0.6	20.04	-3.0	14.96	3.2	19.41	-1.4	20.97	-3.9	25.13	-0.6	21.28	-4.6	11.60	2.4	24.49	2.3	18.63	-1.3
Aug	18.59	1.1	20.08	3.4	14.59	0.2	19.35	-1.9	21.97	0.5	26.92	9.3	21.72	-3.6	11.55	2.9	24.52	-0.1	18.79	-0.2
Sep	18.86	0.5	20.66	2.3	14.79	-2.2	19.36	-0.2	22.33	2.3	25.64	2.0	21.41	-5.6	11.79	7.3	25.03	0.7	19.14	0.1
Oct	19.04	1.4	21.33	6.4	15.08	0.1	19.12	-1.5	22.72	6.0	25.68	5.2	21.85	-3.0	11.62	6.6	25.47	1.6	19.32	1.3
Nov	19.18	2.3	20.89	3.3	15.09	-0.7	19.77	3.1	22.16	2.3	25.94	8.9	22.31	0.7	11.61	2.3	25.26	0.0	19.44	2.1
Dec	19.15	2.3	21.35	6.9	14.95	0.1	19.92	-0.1	22.46	-1.3	25.60	9.3	22.64	1.1	11.25	-2.4	25.81	1.3	19.41	1.8
Average:																				
Jan-Dec03	18.66		20.36		14.88		19.82		22.63		24.34		21.98		11.32		24.43		19.03	
Jan-Dec04	18.75		20.04		14.91		19.87		21.94		25.02		22.06		11.60		24.85		18.98	
% Change	0.5		-1.6		0.3		0.2		-3.0		2.8		0.4		2.5		1.7		-0.2	

Monthly Percent Changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey

3.4A B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Goods Prod. Industries (incl. Utilities)		Agriculture		Forestry		Fishing and Trapping		Mining		Total Manufacturing		Selected Breakout of Manufacturing						Construction	
													Food and Beverage		Wood		Paper and Allied			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	401.6		30.7		30.7		6.2		12.0		183.7		26.8		49.7		21.0		125.6	
1995	405.4	0.9	25.6	-16.6	36.3	18.2	4.5	-27.4	14.2	18.3	188.7	2.7	22.1	-17.5	43.4	-12.7	23.8	13.3	125.1	-0.4
1996	410.2	1.2	30.1	17.6	32.1	-11.6	5.1	13.3	17.5	23.2	195.1	3.4	24.4	10.4	43.8	0.9	22.9	-3.8	119.5	-4.5
1997	417.8	1.9	33.2	10.3	32.6	1.6	5.4	5.9	16.5	-5.7	197.0	1.0	25.5	4.5	44.8	2.3	22.9	0.0	122.9	2.8
1998	408.9	-2.1	33.1	-0.3	29.8	-8.6	3.5	-35.2	17.3	4.8	196.0	-0.5	25.8	1.2	43.6	-2.7	22.5	-1.7	117.7	-4.2
1999	396.5	-3.0	28.6	-13.6	30.2	1.3	4.0	14.3	14.8	-14.5	192.2	-1.9	21.7	-15.9	42.0	-3.7	22.3	-0.9	115.3	-2.0
2000	414.4	4.5	29.7	3.8	37.1	22.8	4.8	20.0	13.4	-9.5	205.4	6.9	23.7	9.2	46.5	10.7	17.7	-20.6	112.5	-2.4
2001	392.0	-5.4	25.9	-12.8	26.1	-29.6	5.4	12.5	11.8	-11.9	196.2	-4.5	26.2	10.5	49.5	6.5	15.0	-15.3	114.9	2.1
2002	399.0	1.8	30.1	16.2	25.9	-0.8	3.3	-38.9	9.7	-17.8	196.9	0.4	27.0	3.1	44.7	-9.7	16.7	11.3	120.6	5.0
2003	421.8	5.7	33.9	12.6	28.7	10.8	4.7	42.4	13.4	38.1	206.1	4.7	31.9	18.1	48.7	8.9	14.2	-15.0	121.6	0.8
2003 Jan	394.4	9.0	28.5	30.7	28.8	35.2	6.4	128.6	7.6	-38.7	196.5	9.3	27.4	52.2	43.4	3.6	18.3	12.3	114.5	3.3
Feb	402.5	10.0	30.4	45.5	28.3	18.4	4.0	135.3	12.2	5.2	201.2	7.7	28.9	34.4	49.9	5.9	15.8	-10.2	112.9	2.9
Mar	421.8	13.1	36.1	54.3	29.0	16.0	4.1	95.2	15.5	38.4	207.6	8.4	27.2	34.7	50.7	0.8	15.5	-26.5	115.0	7.0
Apr	411.7	9.3	33.3	33.7	26.9	22.3	2.3	-8.0	14.6	57.0	208.7	7.1	30.0	50.0	51.8	7.0	14.5	-23.7	111.5	-0.4
May	431.4	10.6	35.3	21.3	27.8	14.9	2.4	4.3	18.5	110.2	212.8	10.8	32.0	42.9	52.8	9.3	14.2	-26.8	119.9	0.3
Jun	437.7	7.8	35.8	9.1	30.0	29.9	5.2	100.0	15.4	60.4	209.3	3.3	30.2	5.2	51.6	15.2	16.5	-8.8	128.0	5.2
Jul	451.3	6.3	37.9	8.3	33.8	29.0	4.8	60.0	15.8	50.5	213.5	2.9	31.8	-3.3	52.5	16.4	15.4	-7.8	132.3	1.9
Aug	444.4	3.0	40.9	6.5	29.2	2.5	6.7	36.7	10.5	28.0	212.5	3.0	36.1	4.0	45.0	2.3	14.3	2.1	131.0	-1.7
Sep	421.5	-0.2	35.1	-5.9	30.1	1.0	5.1	24.4	13.5	53.4	205.6	1.6	33.9	-7.6	41.7	2.2	11.9	-23.2	119.6	-6.5
Oct	433.8	2.5	33.3	-4.9	29.8	0.3	6.7	24.1	14.7	56.4	209.0	4.3	36.4	15.2	49.4	20.5	13.2	-13.7	126.7	-4.2
Nov	407.1	-0.4	30.7	-0.6	27.2	-4.6	6.1	41.9	10.5	28.0	196.8	-1.7	34.6	18.5	49.4	20.5	11.1	-14.0	122.4	-1.4
Dec	404.3	0.3	29.3	-7.3	23.5	-17.8	3.1	-26.2	11.9	40.0	199.9	0.7	34.4	32.3	46.6	7.4	9.5	-35.4	125.8	6.0
2004 Jan	410.6	4.1	29.5	3.5	19.0	-34.0	4.7	-26.6	11.1	46.1	202.7	3.2	40.6	48.2	47.1	8.5	11.1	-39.3	133.2	16.3
Feb	405.2	0.7	31.8	4.6	21.3	-24.7	3.3	-17.5	11.5	-5.7	200.2	-0.5	31.2	8.0	46.2	-7.4	10.4	-34.2	128.2	13.6
Mar	409.2	-3.0	32.7	-9.4	20.6	-29.0	3.1	-24.4	10.4	-32.9	197.4	-4.9	28.3	4.0	53.2	4.9	8.8	-43.2	134.8	17.2
Apr	418.1	1.6	36.6	9.9	19.3	-28.3	2.8	21.7	8.8	-39.7	200.0	-4.2	29.5	-1.7	47.7	-7.9	9.7	-33.1	139.2	24.8
May	435.3	0.9	40.5	14.7	20.8	-25.2	3.8	58.3	11.4	-38.4	204.5	-3.9	29.1	-9.1	44.3	-16.1	14.5	2.1	142.2	18.6
Jun	458.1	4.7	41.9	17.0	25.7	-14.3	3.7	-28.8	10.9	-29.2	205.3	-1.9	29.4	-2.6	44.7	-13.4	14.3	-13.3	158.9	24.1
Jul	468.9	3.9	43.5	14.8	29.6	-12.4	2.7	-43.8	10.8	-31.6	212.2	-0.6	25.3	-20.4	49.6	-5.5	13.1	-14.9	159.8	20.8
Aug	465.7	4.8	42.0	2.7	25.3	-13.4	4.0	-40.3	11.0	4.8	207.1	-2.5	29.4	-18.6	42.5	-5.6	11.9	-16.8	164.7	25.7
Sep	451.1	7.0	35.2	0.3	23.0	-23.6	2.4	-52.9	11.4	-15.6	202.7	-1.4	27.6	-18.6	41.4	-0.7	9.3	-21.8	167.4	40.0
Oct	461.6	6.4	39.1	17.4	22.3	-25.2	2.1	-68.7	12.9	-12.2	200.5	-4.1	31.7	-12.9	39.6	-19.8	11.4	-13.6	176.0	38.9
Nov	443.9	9.0	33.2	8.1	21.1	-22.4	1.5	-75.4	13.0	23.8	198.3	0.8	34.3	-0.9	40.2	-18.6	10.7	-3.6	169.0	38.1
Dec	438.9	8.6	35.8	22.2	19.2	-18.3	0.0	-100.0	15.1	26.9	195.5	-2.2	33.1	-3.8	41.9	-10.1	12.2	28.4	163.9	30.3
Average:																				
Jan-Dec03	421.8		33.9		28.7		4.7		13.4		206.1		31.9		48.7		14.2		121.6	
Jan-Dec04	438.9		36.8		22.3		2.8		11.5		202.2		30.8		44.9		11.5		153.1	
% Change	4.0		8.7		-22.4		-40.1		-13.9		-1.9		-3.5		-7.9		-19.3		25.9	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.4B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - EMPLOYMENT (Actual)

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Total Comm., & Personal Service		Selected Breakout of Comm. & Pers. Service						Public Administration		Total All Industries	
											Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod. Food & Bev.					
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1994	1,352.4		99.1		289.4		118.0		745.8		120.4		170.8		129.2		100.1		1,754.0	
1995	1,386.9	2.6	96.8	-2.3	299.8	3.6	117.9	-0.1	768.6	3.1	123.3	2.4	176.6	3.4	135.2	4.6	103.8	3.7	1,792.3	2.2
1996	1,411.0	1.7	99.1	2.4	294.3	-1.8	123.6	4.8	787.0	2.4	117.6	-4.6	183.4	3.9	142.8	5.6	107.0	3.1	1,821.2	1.6
1997	1,451.2	2.8	109.2	10.2	301.5	2.4	127.1	2.8	814.0	3.4	121.9	3.7	189.6	3.4	145.4	1.8	99.5	-7.0	1,869.0	2.6
1998	1,461.2	0.7	106.2	-2.7	294.3	-2.4	122.7	-3.5	845.2	3.8	120.2	-1.4	194.6	2.6	151.9	4.5	93.1	-6.4	1,870.2	0.1
1999	1,509.9	3.3	117.9	11.0	308.5	4.8	119.9	-2.3	873.0	3.3	127.5	6.1	195.2	0.3	152.7	0.5	90.4	-2.9	1,906.4	1.9
2000	1,534.7	1.6	114.4	-3.0	303.2	-1.7	119.5	-0.3	907.9	4.0	134.9	5.8	202.1	3.5	164.0	7.4	89.7	-0.8	1,949.1	2.2
2001	1,550.4	1.0	106.9	-6.6	309.5	2.1	116.2	-2.8	929.0	2.3	135.7	0.6	203.8	0.8	170.6	4.0	88.8	-1.0	1,942.4	-0.3
2002	1,574.4	1.5	110.1	3.0	319.0	3.1	118.9	2.3	941.8	1.4	139.7	2.9	217.3	6.6	171.0	0.2	84.7	-4.6	1,973.4	1.6
2003	1,601.5	1.7	114.3	3.8	320.5	0.5	126.7	6.6	948.4	0.7	145.9	4.4	211.8	-2.5	164.8	-3.6	91.6	8.1	2,023.3	2.5
2003 Jan	1,550.0	0.8	114.1	10.1	320.7	5.7	128.4	11.1	904.7	-2.9	155.3	7.0	207.5	-3.6	156.4	-7.3	82.2	-1.4	1,944.5	2.4
Feb	1,568.8	2.0	115.6	9.0	312.9	2.9	127.9	14.5	924.2	-1.4	161.3	13.4	211.8	0.8	158.1	-9.3	88.2	12.2	1,971.3	3.6
Mar	1,576.4	1.9	116.9	15.1	312.1	4.3	127.7	16.1	935.7	-1.9	158.6	11.0	211.6	0.1	161.1	-10.9	84.0	2.1	1,998.2	4.0
Apr	1,582.2	1.3	111.7	7.0	318.4	0.4	128.9	19.1	941.9	-1.2	155.1	5.0	214.5	-0.8	157.6	-12.4	81.2	2.9	1,993.9	2.9
May	1,584.2	0.8	117.8	9.4	313.8	-2.5	119.8	7.4	947.9	-0.1	148.4	6.2	210.9	-1.3	159.4	-10.8	84.7	3.2	2,015.6	2.7
Jun	1,604.9	0.0	112.7	0.3	316.9	-1.0	122.0	2.6	961.9	-0.6	145.8	1.5	214.3	-2.0	165.2	-6.5	91.3	6.9	2,042.5	1.6
Jul	1,604.4	0.4	111.0	-4.1	327.9	-0.1	121.7	2.4	947.7	0.2	120.7	1.1	212.8	-4.3	169.3	-5.8	96.2	6.9	2,055.8	1.6
Aug	1,615.4	0.7	116.8	4.6	322.2	-2.7	123.3	-0.2	958.6	1.2	122.3	-1.0	209.7	-3.8	176.7	1.6	94.5	5.0	2,059.9	1.2
Sep	1,615.6	1.1	111.3	-7.0	324.7	-0.2	124.7	0.6	960.0	2.1	139.6	-3.1	206.5	-5.3	169.3	3.4	95.0	6.6	2,037.1	0.8
Oct	1,623.9	2.8	114.9	0.4	317.5	-0.8	130.6	1.7	959.1	3.2	144.6	2.1	209.5	-6.4	169.2	5.6	101.7	16.9	2,057.7	2.8
Nov	1,634.5	3.5	114.3	3.0	326.8	0.7	132.8	3.9	959.5	3.0	148.2	6.0	212.6	-3.8	163.3	1.4	101.1	19.8	2,041.7	2.7
Dec	1,657.6	5.3	114.1	1.1	331.8	-0.2	132.7	2.9	980.0	7.1	151.0	2.6	220.3	0.3	172.1	11.2	98.9	16.6	2,062.0	4.3
2004 Jan	1,614.4	4.2	111.0	-2.7	327.9	2.2	126.2	-1.7	953.4	5.4	149.0	-4.1	216.0	4.1	167.1	6.8	95.8	16.5	2,025.0	4.1
Feb	1,595.6	1.7	111.7	-3.4	301.8	-3.5	123.8	-3.2	963.1	4.2	150.0	-7.0	212.6	0.4	178.3	12.8	95.2	7.9	2,000.8	1.5
Mar	1,608.6	2.0	112.4	-3.8	310.6	-0.5	131.9	3.3	955.2	2.1	139.2	-12.2	223.7	5.7	177.1	9.9	98.5	17.3	2,017.8	1.0
Apr	1,598.7	1.0	117.6	5.3	297.6	-6.5	135.8	5.4	951.0	1.0	133.3	-14.1	219.2	2.2	181.2	15.0	96.7	19.1	2,016.8	1.1
May	1,627.0	2.7	119.0	1.0	302.2	-3.7	136.3	13.8	973.3	2.7	136.7	-7.9	221.8	5.2	175.3	10.0	96.1	13.5	2,062.2	2.3
Jun	1,659.0	3.4	125.0	10.9	307.3	-3.0	133.1	9.1	996.3	3.6	135.2	-7.3	227.9	6.3	183.7	11.2	97.4	6.7	2,117.1	3.7
Jul	1,648.0	2.7	127.8	15.1	318.1	-3.0	128.3	5.4	971.7	2.5	113.0	-6.4	226.0	6.2	184.0	8.7	102.3	6.3	2,116.9	3.0
Aug	1,636.5	1.3	119.4	2.2	304.7	-5.4	140.7	14.1	970.7	1.3	112.5	-8.0	221.3	5.5	185.1	4.8	101.0	6.9	2,102.2	2.1
Sep	1,643.6	1.7	117.0	5.1	307.5	-5.3	134.3	7.7	987.4	2.9	144.9	3.8	228.6	10.7	176.2	4.1	97.2	2.3	2,094.7	2.8
Oct	1,644.4	1.3	116.0	1.0	305.7	-3.7	135.9	4.1	987.5	3.0	144.4	-0.1	222.9	6.4	173.0	2.2	99.2	-2.5	2,106.0	2.3
Nov	1,647.5	0.8	111.7	-2.3	312.1	-4.5	135.6	2.1	992.4	3.4	149.3	0.7	225.0	5.8	175.1	7.2	95.7	-5.3	2,091.4	2.4
Dec	1,670.6	0.8	111.4	-2.4	321.9	-3.0	138.1	4.1	1,003.6	2.4	149.1	-1.3	230.0	4.4	178.7	3.8	95.5	-3.4	2,109.6	2.3
Average:																				
Jan-Dec03	1,601.5		114.3		320.5		126.7		948.4		145.9		211.8		164.8		91.6		2,023.4	
Jan-Dec04	1,632.8		116.7		309.8		133.3		975.5		138.1		222.9		177.9		97.6		2,071.7	
% Change	2.0		2.1		-3.3		5.2		2.9		-5.4		5.2		7.9		6.5		2.4	

Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Forestry, Fishing & Mining		Utilities		Manufacturing		Construction	
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	36.8		37.0		38.8		35.2		37.0		35.9	
1995	36.3	-1.4	37.4	1.1	39.0	0.5	34.3	-2.6	36.6	-1.1	34.6	-3.6
1996	36.3	0.0	38.6	3.2	37.7	-3.3	33.1	-3.5	36.4	-0.5	35.1	1.4
1997	36.3	0.0	36.8	-4.7	38.4	1.9	35.7	7.9	36.2	-0.5	35.2	0.3
1998	36.0	-0.8	38.4	4.3	38.8	1.0	34.4	-3.6	35.8	-1.1	34.7	-1.4
1999	36.2	0.6	37.5	-2.3	38.9	0.3	32.8	-4.7	36.7	2.5	34.0	-2.0
2000	36.9	1.9	37.8	0.8	37.2	-4.4	35.6	8.5	37.5	2.2	35.5	4.4
2001	36.2	-1.9	38.5	1.9	37.7	1.3	34.2	-3.9	36.3	-3.2	35.3	-0.6
2002	35.8	-1.1	36.7	-4.7	37.9	0.5	33.8	-1.2	36.0	-0.8	35.0	-0.8
2003	35.6	-0.6	36.6	-0.3	37.9	0.0	33.9	0.3	35.6	-1.1	34.6	-1.1
2003 Jan	36.7	2.2	31.4	6.8	40.5	3.6	38.1	7.3	37.9	0.8	34.2	2.7
Feb	37.5	3.6	33.8	16.6	42.3	4.7	37.2	10.1	37.9	1.1	35.9	5.3
Mar	37.5	3.6	34.1	2.4	40.6	-1.9	34.5	-0.6	37.3	2.5	37.8	8.3
Apr	31.7	-13.2	32.5	-9.7	30.7	-12.0	33.0	-0.6	32.5	-12.2	30.2	-17.5
May	37.4	-1.6	40.0	3.9	36.4	-6.4	35.9	-4.0	37.4	-2.3	37.3	0.8
Jun	37.4	-1.3	42.8	14.4	39.9	4.7	37.6	-3.8	37.0	-1.9	35.4	-6.8
Jul	35.9	-0.8	39.3	0.5	36.1	-7.4	33.6	13.9	35.2	0.6	36.4	-1.9
Aug	35.6	-1.9	42.8	-0.5	39.0	11.1	31.4	1.0	34.3	-1.7	34.8	-6.7
Sep	37.7	1.6	42.5	7.6	40.3	-5.8	32.6	-8.7	37.5	1.6	36.0	2.6
Oct	32.1	0.6	33.0	-13.6	34.0	4.9	28.7	-4.3	32.3	2.9	31.2	0.6
Nov	31.8	-0.6	29.7	-16.6	38.4	11.6	30.4	2.0	31.5	-1.6	30.4	-0.7
Dec	35.4	-1.9	33.4	1.5	35.9	-6.5	35.5	5.3	35.9	-4.0	35.0	2.0
2004 Jan	35.6	-3.0	31.0	-1.3	41.4	2.2	34.6	-9.2	36.2	-4.5	34.2	0.0
Feb	37.6	0.3	35.6	5.3	40.6	-4.0	35.7	-4.0	37.4	-1.3	37.6	4.7
Mar	36.1	-3.7	33.4	-2.1	37.6	-7.4	29.1	-15.7	36.0	-3.5	37.2	-1.6
Apr	35.2	11.0	35.1	8.0	30.9	0.7	27.1	-17.9	36.2	11.4	35.4	17.2
May	37.3	-0.3	39.8	-0.5	38.2	4.9	35.8	-0.3	36.7	-1.9	37.4	0.3
Jun	38.7	3.5	41.1	-4.0	41.2	3.3	31.3	-16.8	37.5	1.4	39.6	11.9
Jul	37.0	3.1	36.4	-7.4	41.1	13.9	32.8	-2.4	36.2	2.8	37.5	3.0
Aug	36.1	1.4	39.4	-7.9	41.2	5.6	31.4	0.0	34.9	1.7	35.8	2.9
Sep	38.2	1.3	37.4	-12.0	40.6	0.7	38.2	17.2	37.9	1.1	38.3	6.4
Oct	33.4	4.0	41.0	24.2	37.8	11.2	26.7	-7.0	32.5	0.6	32.2	3.2
Nov	34.0	6.9	35.9	20.9	39.2	2.1	29.1	-4.3	33.4	6.0	33.3	9.5
Dec	37.4	5.6	35.9	7.5	40.0	11.4	33.4	-5.9	38.4	7.0	36.2	3.4
Average:												
Jan-Dec03	35.6		36.3		37.8		34.0		35.6		34.6	
Jan-Dec04	36.4		36.8		39.2		32.1		36.1		36.2	
% Change	2.3		1.5		3.5		-5.7		1.5		4.8	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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3.5B B.C. INDUSTRIAL COMPARISON - AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS WORKED*

	All Service Producing Industries		Transport. and Warehousing		Trade		Finance & Related		Selected Breakout of Community & Personal Service								Public Administration		Total All Industries	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health and Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.					
	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg	Hrs	% Chg
1994	32.2		36.6		32.7		32.9		35.1		29.4		29.6		30.7		32.6		33.2	
1995	32.2	0.0	36.2	-1.1	32.5	-0.6	32.8	-0.3	35.4	0.9	30.3	3.1	29.7	0.3	30.0	-2.3	33.3	2.1	33.1	-0.3
1996	32.2	0.0	35.6	-1.7	33.0	1.5	33.3	1.5	36.4	2.8	29.8	-1.7	29.3	-1.3	29.3	-2.3	33.1	-0.6	33.1	0.0
1997	32.0	-0.6	36.2	1.7	33.2	0.6	33.8	1.5	35.3	-3.0	29.2	-2.0	29.3	0.0	29.4	0.3	33.1	0.0	33.0	-0.3
1998	31.5	-1.6	35.6	-1.7	31.9	-3.9	33.5	-0.9	34.5	-2.3	27.9	-4.5	28.6	-2.4	30.4	3.4	32.7	-1.2	32.5	-1.5
1999	31.5	0.0	35.3	-0.8	31.7	-0.6	32.9	-1.8	35.1	1.7	27.8	-0.4	29.6	3.5	29.7	-2.3	33.0	0.9	32.5	0.0
2000	32.3	2.5	36.9	4.5	32.1	1.3	33.8	2.7	35.5	1.1	29.6	6.5	30.6	3.4	29.9	0.7	34.3	3.9	33.3	2.5
2001	31.2	-3.4	35.3	-4.3	31.1	-3.1	32.7	-3.3	33.8	-4.8	28.6	-3.4	28.9	-5.6	29.8	-0.3	31.7	-7.6	32.2	-3.3
2002	31.0	-0.6	34.8	-1.4	31.1	0.0	33.3	1.8	33.9	0.3	28.9	1.0	29.2	1.0	28.1	-5.7	33.1	4.4	32.0	-0.6
2003	30.7	-1.0	35.7	2.6	30.8	-1.0	32.2	-3.3	34.1	0.6	28.0	-3.1	28.0	-4.1	29.1	3.6	32.2	-2.7	31.7	-0.9
2003 Jan	31.0	-3.1	34.6	-5.2	30.6	-2.9	35.3	1.7	33.8	-7.1	30.4	-4.4	28.5	-6.9	26.7	-5.7	35.9	10.1	32.2	-1.5
Feb	31.5	-0.9	34.7	0.3	30.9	-2.2	34.8	-3.9	35.7	1.1	30.2	-2.6	28.9	-2.4	28.1	-2.4	35.3	1.7	32.7	0.0
Mar	31.5	-1.6	37.1	9.8	30.6	-6.7	34.2	-2.6	35.1	-2.5	27.6	-13.2	28.7	-7.4	29.7	5.7	34.3	2.1	32.8	-0.3
Apr	28.3	-12.4	31.9	-12.6	28.7	-9.5	28.6	-18.8	30.8	-16.3	26.0	-20.7	26.3	-12.6	28.8	3.6	30.2	-16.1	29.0	-12.4
May	32.1	-0.6	38.0	2.2	31.3	-4.0	33.8	-2.9	36.1	5.2	31.4	-2.5	27.9	-8.2	30.5	7.8	35.1	1.2	33.2	-0.6
Jun	32.4	0.3	35.3	-1.9	31.9	-2.1	32.9	-2.1	34.6	0.3	32.2	0.3	30.0	3.4	31.5	5.7	35.5	-0.3	33.5	0.3
Jul	30.4	0.7	36.8	-0.3	31.3	3.0	31.7	-3.9	34.8	7.7	17.5	-12.1	27.6	0.4	31.9	11.5	32.7	-1.2	31.6	0.6
Aug	29.1	0.0	35.9	3.2	30.8	0.0	30.0	-7.1	31.9	0.3	14.9	-2.0	25.1	-10.7	30.6	3.4	27.3	-1.1	30.5	-0.3
Sep	32.1	0.6	38.0	5.3	32.2	2.2	31.5	-6.3	37.3	7.8	30.4	-3.2	29.4	-3.0	29.0	5.5	32.7	-3.8	33.3	0.9
Oct	29.1	3.2	34.0	8.3	29.8	6.4	29.5	-1.7	31.4	4.7	28.9	7.4	27.2	0.4	27.2	3.8	28.7	-2.7	29.8	2.8
Nov	29.1	1.7	35.1	17.8	29.3	1.7	30.9	3.3	31.1	0.3	29.6	6.1	26.6	-2.2	26.5	0.0	27.4	-13.0	29.7	1.4
Dec	32.1	3.2	36.6	5.8	32.2	2.5	33.5	4.7	36.8	8.9	32.8	7.2	29.4	0.0	28.5	4.4	33.0	-5.4	32.7	1.9
2004 Jan	31.6	1.9	34.0	-1.7	30.6	0.0	32.9	-6.8	36.2	7.1	32.5	6.9	30.2	6.0	28.5	6.7	33.1	-7.8	32.4	0.6
Feb	32.4	2.9	35.7	2.9	31.0	0.3	33.5	-3.7	38.8	8.7	31.9	5.6	30.3	4.8	28.8	2.5	35.4	0.3	33.4	2.1
Mar	30.4	-3.5	36.3	-2.2	31.4	2.6	32.8	-4.1	36.8	4.8	14.6	-47.1	28.9	0.7	28.6	-3.7	33.1	-3.5	31.6	-3.7
Apr	30.1	6.4	36.1	13.2	30.1	4.9	30.4	6.3	32.9	6.8	27.6	6.2	27.6	4.9	28.2	-2.1	28.1	-7.0	31.1	7.2
May	32.3	0.6	38.0	0.0	31.3	0.0	34.0	0.6	36.9	2.2	30.3	-3.5	31.0	11.1	28.7	-5.9	34.5	-1.7	33.4	0.6
Jun	32.5	0.3	39.1	10.8	32.1	0.6	32.9	0.0	35.6	2.9	30.1	-6.5	29.9	-0.3	30.3	-3.8	33.6	-5.4	33.8	0.9
Jul	30.8	1.3	37.8	2.7	32.0	2.2	33.1	4.4	34.6	-0.6	15.5	-11.4	27.8	0.7	29.9	-6.3	32.4	-0.9	32.2	1.9
Aug	29.2	0.3	35.2	-1.9	30.9	0.3	30.9	3.0	32.9	3.1	15.6	4.7	26.7	6.4	28.6	-6.5	30.6	12.1	30.7	0.7
Sep	32.9	2.5	37.8	-0.5	32.4	0.6	33.7	7.0	38.1	2.1	32.5	6.9	29.4	0.0	30.3	4.5	33.1	1.2	34.0	2.1
Oct	29.4	1.0	34.2	0.6	28.8	-3.4	30.1	2.0	31.3	-0.3	27.3	-5.5	27.3	0.4	29.0	6.6	28.7	0.0	30.3	1.7
Nov	29.6	1.7	35.0	-0.3	29.2	-0.3	30.0	-2.9	32.1	3.2	25.8	-12.8	27.7	4.1	30.4	14.7	28.7	4.7	30.5	2.7
Dec	32.8	2.2	36.5	-0.3	31.7	-1.6	32.6	-2.7	37.2	1.1	32.0	-2.4	30.9	5.1	30.3	6.3	36.4	10.3	33.7	3.1
Average:																				
Jan-Dec03	30.7		35.7		30.8		32.2		34.1		27.7		28.0		29.1		32.3		31.8	
Jan-Dec04	31.2		36.3		31.0		32.2		35.3		26.3		29.0		29.3		32.3		32.3	
% Change	1.4		1.8		0.5		0.1		3.4		-4.9		3.6		0.7		-0.1		1.6	

* Average Actual Hours, AIII Workers, Main Job / Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over same month previous year

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B.C. EARNINGS AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

This is a monthly report designed to assist analysts monitoring changes in inter-provincial and inter-industrial earnings and employment levels. The report provides figures on persons employed and actual dollars earned. Primary emphasis, however, is placed on 'percentage change' data to help highlight recent trends and/or structural shifts.

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Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Average Hourly Wage Rate & Average Weekly Wage Rate

Beginning January 1997, information is collected on the usual wages or salary of employees at their main job. Respondents are asked to report their wage/salary before taxes and other deductions, and include tips, commissions and bonuses.

Average Weekly Hours Worked

Average actual number of hours worked per week, main job, is calculated by dividing total hours by the total number of employed persons. When a respondent holds more than one job or business, the job or business involving the greatest number of usual hours worked is considered to be the main job.

Real (after inflation) Average Weekly Wage Rate

Average weekly wage rates, as defined above, minus the rate of inflation as measured by the applicable Vancouver, Canada, or U.S. consumer price index.

Employment (derived from Labour Force Survey, Cat No. 71-001) (Actual)

All persons during the reference week who either a) did any work for pay or profit, or b) had a job but were absent because of illness, weather, vacation, labour disputes, or personal or family responsibility. United States trends are calculated from civilian employment seasonally adjusted data published by the U.S. Deptartment of Commerce.

Employment by Industry

Employment by industry is based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

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